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... NOW **TIOGA** HAS A RIVAL FOR **STRAIGHT ARROW**'S ATTENTION! NOW THERE IS ANOTHER TO SHARE HIS TIME AND TEACHING!... AND WHEN THE CROWS COME RAIDING, THOSE INDIANS AND **STRAIGHT ARROW** BOTH LEARN WHAT TROUBLE IS AS THEY COME UP AGAINST—

"THE RIVAL RASCALS"

STRAIGHT ARROW



LEAPING WOLF LIKES LIVING AS A COMANCHE. IT IS FUN TO PLAY GAMES WITH THE OTHER BOYS AND GIRLS, AND TO SHARE THE FAMILY COOKING POT WITH A PRETTY NEIGHBOR....

TEE-HEE



THE ONLY FLY IN THE OINTMENT IS **TIOGA**! WHENEVER **HE** COMES AROUND EVERYBODY RUNS TO MEET HIM!

OOOH, WHAT A BIG DEER!

YOU'RE A GREAT HUNTER, **TIOGA**!



IF I HAVE TO ADMIT IT, I GUESS I **AM** THE BEST HUNTER AMONG ALL THE YOUNGER MEN OF THE TRIBE! **NOBODY ELSE** COULD BAG SUCH A BIG DEER!

NOBODY ELSE, HAH? HE MEANS **ME!** WELL I'LL **SHOW** HIM! HE CAN'T HUNT WORTH A SOUR FRUIT! I'LL GET A DEER **TWICE** AS BIG!

BUT IN THE HIGH HILLS OF THE SUN-DOWN MOUNTAINS, LEAPING WOLF FINDS ONLY AN ANGRY **GRIZZLY BEAR!**

WOW!

COME ON, I DARE YOU! I-I JUST WISH TIOGA WAS HERE TO SEE H-HOW BRAVE I AM!

SUDDENLY, AS THE GRIZZLY PREPARES TO CHARGE—

LUCKY FOR YOU I WAS RIDING BY, LEAPING WOLF!

I HEARD THE BEAR GROWLING AND CAME TO INVESTIGATE!

UNSEEN, THERE ARE TWO OTHER WITNESSES TO THE FIGHT—**CROWS**, IN WAR PAINT!

IT'S STRAIGHT ARROW!

THE GREAT SPIRIT SMILES ON US! THIS IS GOOD LUCK!

EXHAUSTED BY THE BATTLE, STRAIGHT
ARROW STAGGERS AWAY FROM THE
GRIZZLY —



DO NOT HARM
THE BOY! I WILL
SURRENDER!

NO ONE WILL GET HURT,
IF YOU DO AS WE
SAY. ALL WE WANT
ARE SOME OF
YOUR
CLOTHES!



MOMENTS LATER —

YOU'LL NEVER GET FREE!
MY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO RAID
THE COMANCHES!



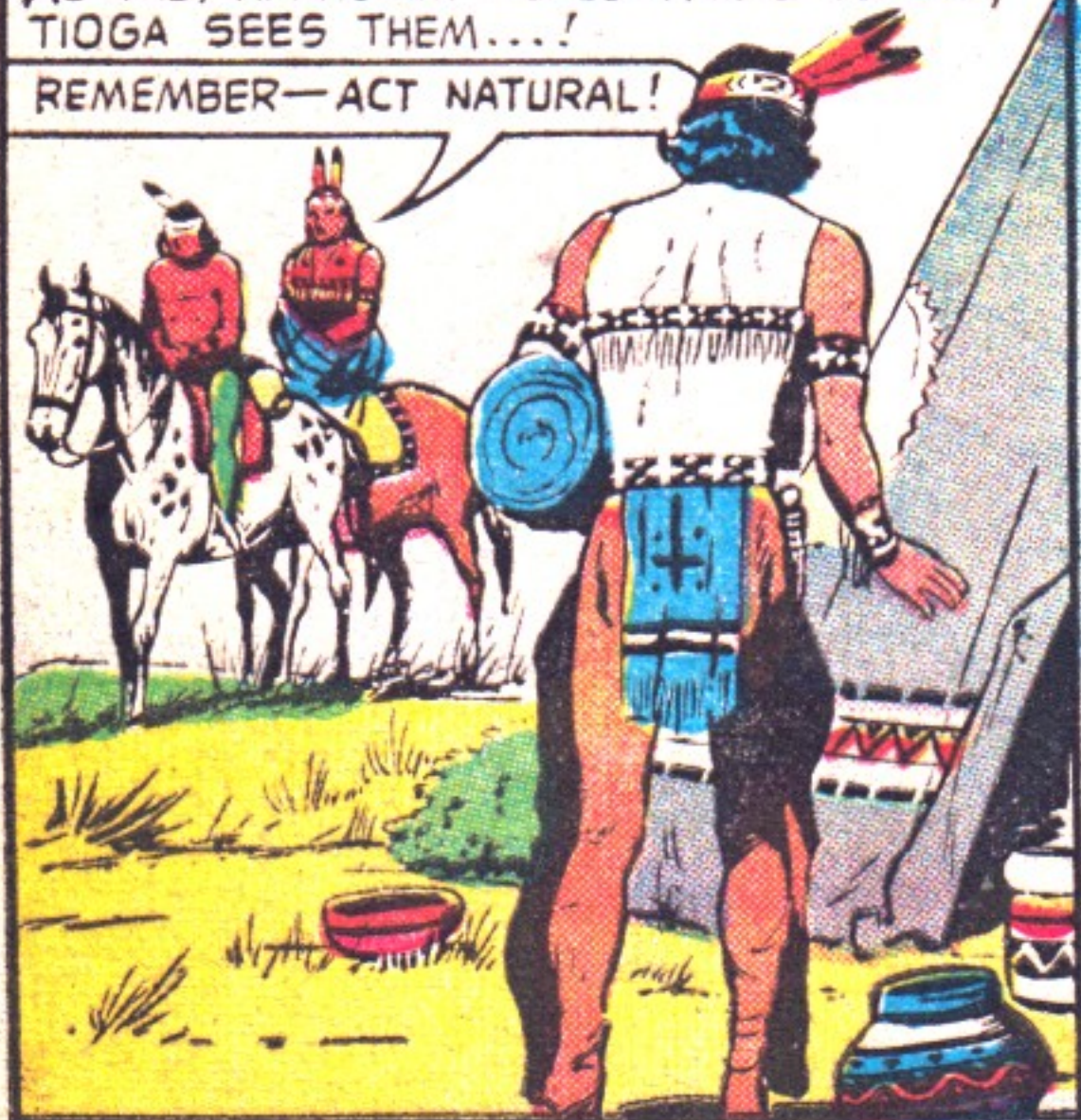
WHILE MY COMPANION SUMMONS
OUR WARRIORS, AND I DISGUISED
AS *YOU*! — WILL GO INTO THE
COMANCHE CAMP AND ATTEND TO
YOUR CHIEF! DEMORALIZED, YOUR
PEOPLE WILL BE EASY VICTIMS!



YOUR YOUNG FRIEND RIDES WITH
ME. IF HE ACTS NATURAL TO AVERT
SUSPICION OF ME, HE WILL NOT GET
HURT!



AS THEY APPROACH THE COMANCHE TEPEES,
TIOGA SEES THEM...!
REMEMBER—ACT NATURAL!



HIYA, TIOGA, MY GOOD FRIEND! I
THAT'S RIGHT! MISSED
ACT FRIENDLY! YOU!



**AFTER HIS RIVAL... WHAT'S COME
OVER HIM? HE NEVER WAS OVER-
FRIENDLY!**



I'VE GOT TO
FIND OUT
WHAT'S GOING
ON AROUND
HERE!



STAY
CLOSE
BESIDE
ME!

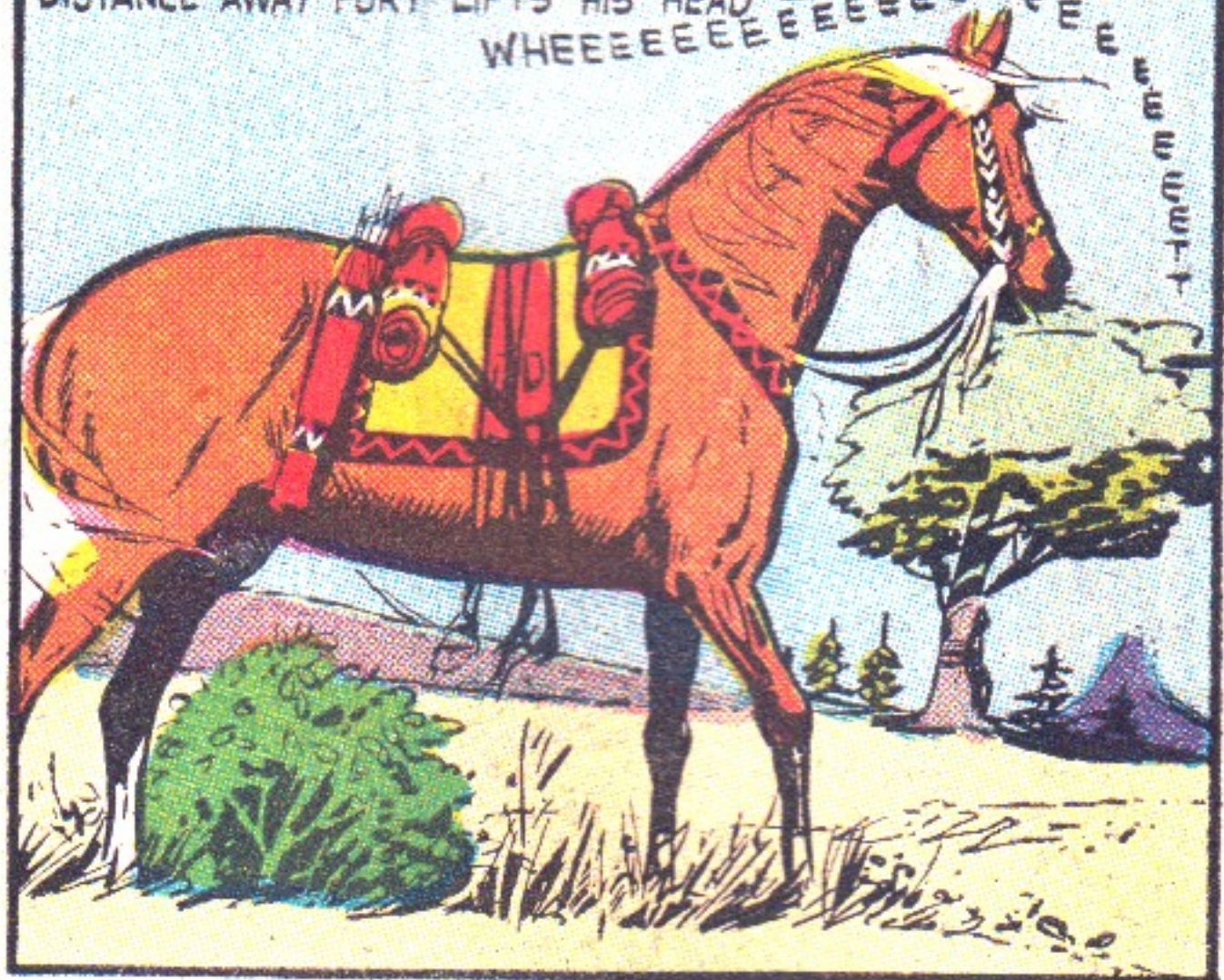
OF
COURSE!



CAN'T WORK THEM
LOOSE—I MUST GET
LOOSE TO SAVE MY
PEOPLE!

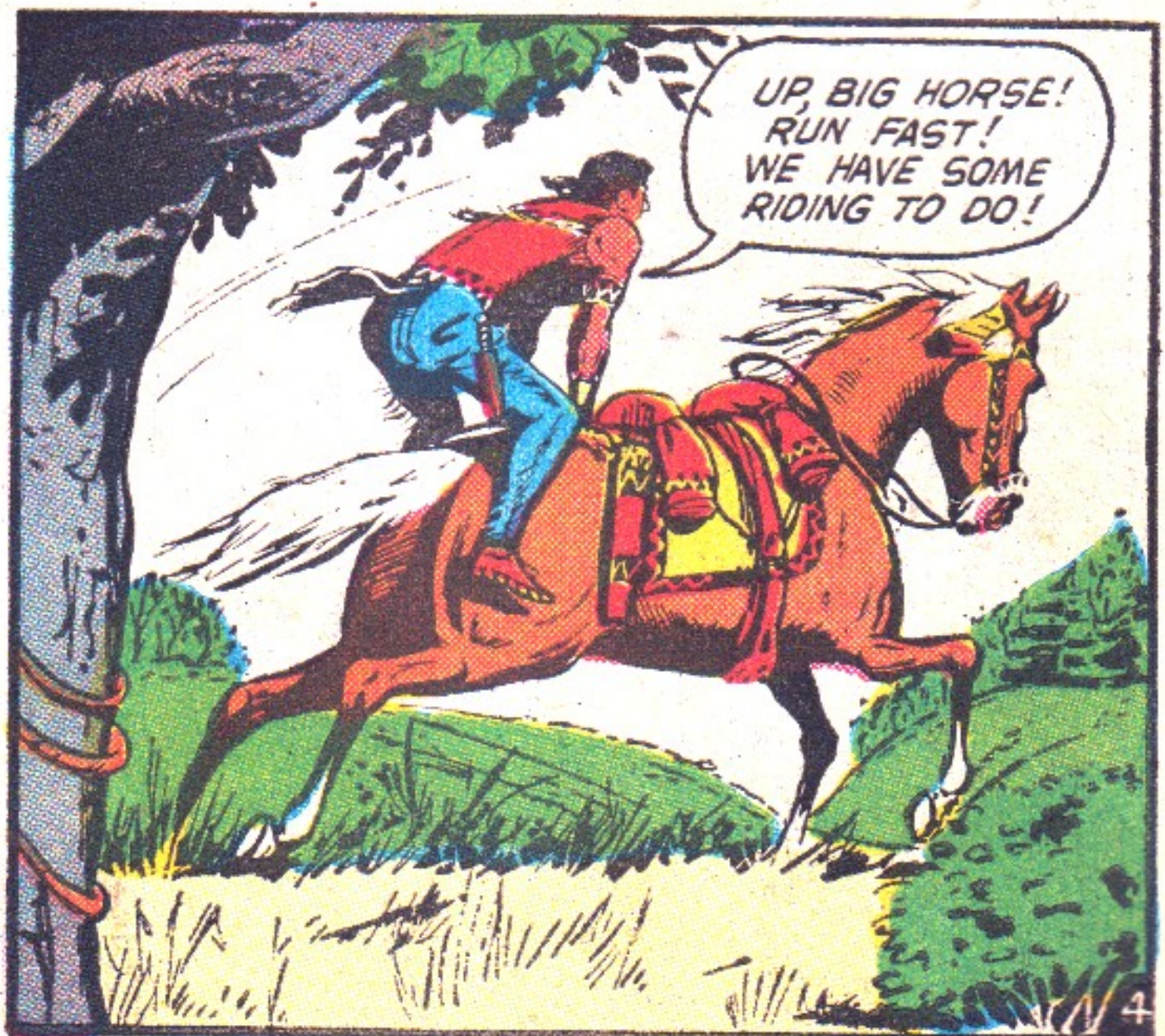


A SHRILL WHISTLE SOUNDS IN THE THIN HILL AIR, SOME DISTANCE AWAY FURY LIFTS HIS HEAD — WHEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE



I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF **YOU** RIGHT AWAY, FURY! REMEMBER HOW I TAUGHT YOU TO UNTIE KNOTS WITH YOUR TEETH?

UP, BIG HORSE!
RUN FAST!
WE HAVE SOME
RIDING TO DO!



IN THE COMANCHE VILLAGE, TIoga RACES UP— ONLY TO FIND LEAPING WOLF GIVING HIM A WARNING GLANCE, TELLING HIM SOMETHING IS WRONG....



LEAPING WOLF DROPS—AND TIoga LEAPS! THIS IS A STUNT THEY HAVE PULLED TOGETHER ON UNWARY YOUTHS. NOW IT WORKS ON A MAN!

HA!



THIS ISN'T STRAIGHT ARROW! I THOUGHT AS MUCH FROM THAT CHEERY HELLO YOU GAVE ME!

HE'S A CROW!



WHAT IS IT?

THE CROWS CAPTURED STRAIGHT ARROW AN USED HIS CLOTHES AS DISGUISE! THEY ARE TO ATTACK NOW!



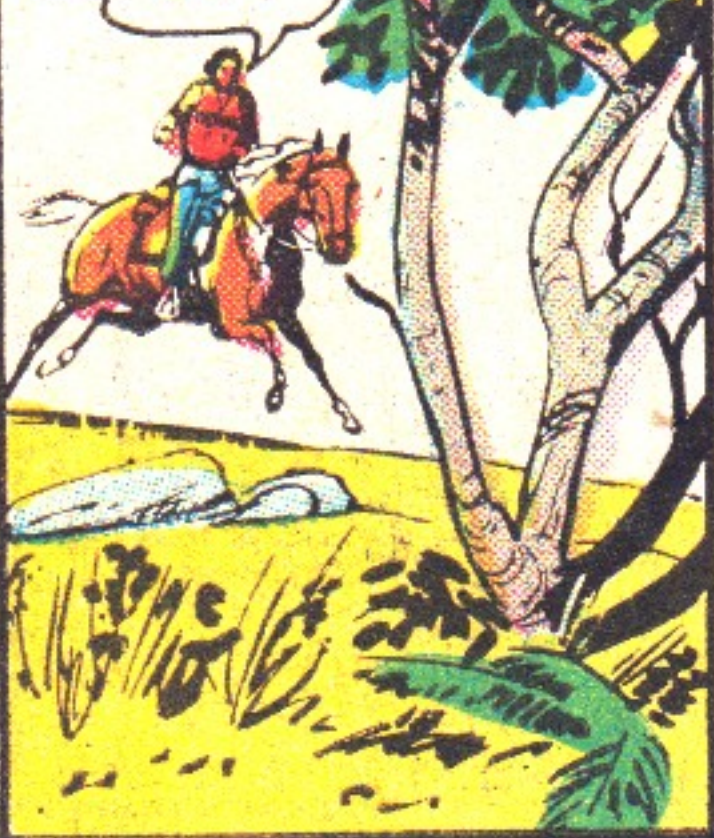
LISTEN! I CAN HEAR THEIR WAR CRIES NOW! THEY'RE COMING!

WE'LL BE CAUGHT NAPPING!



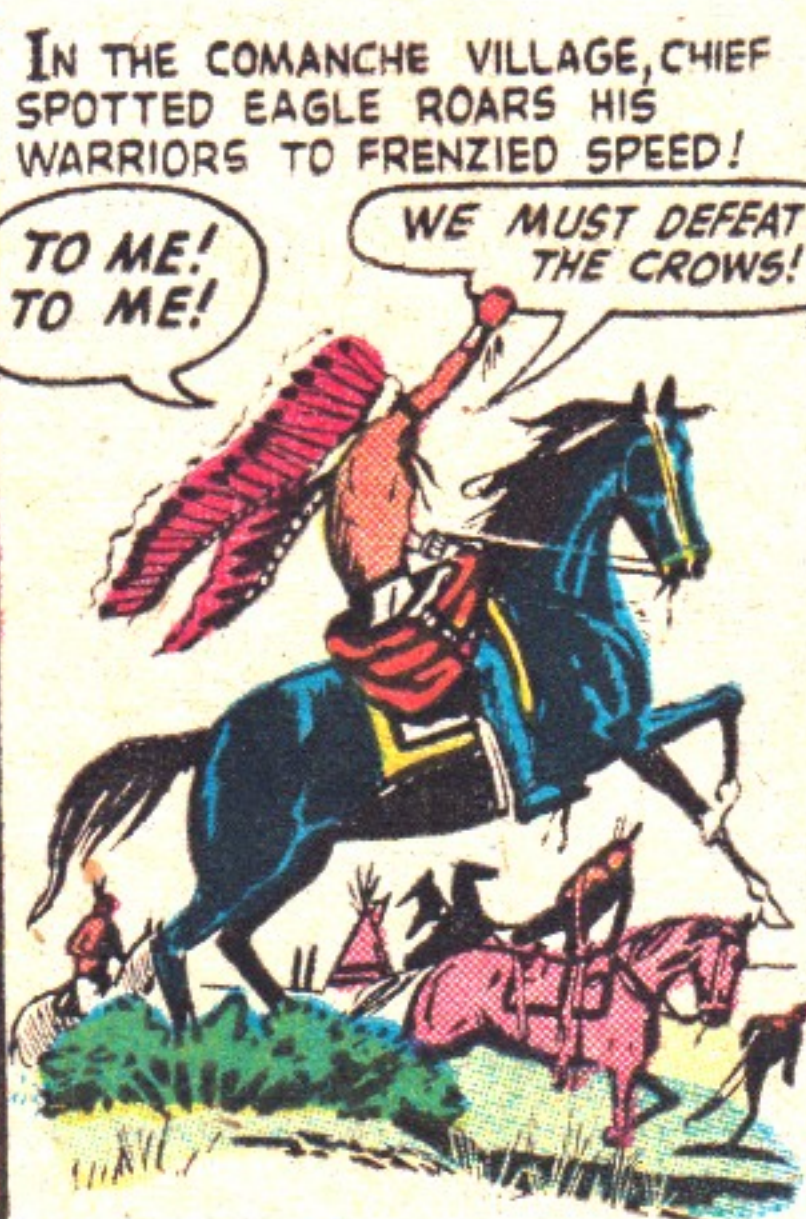
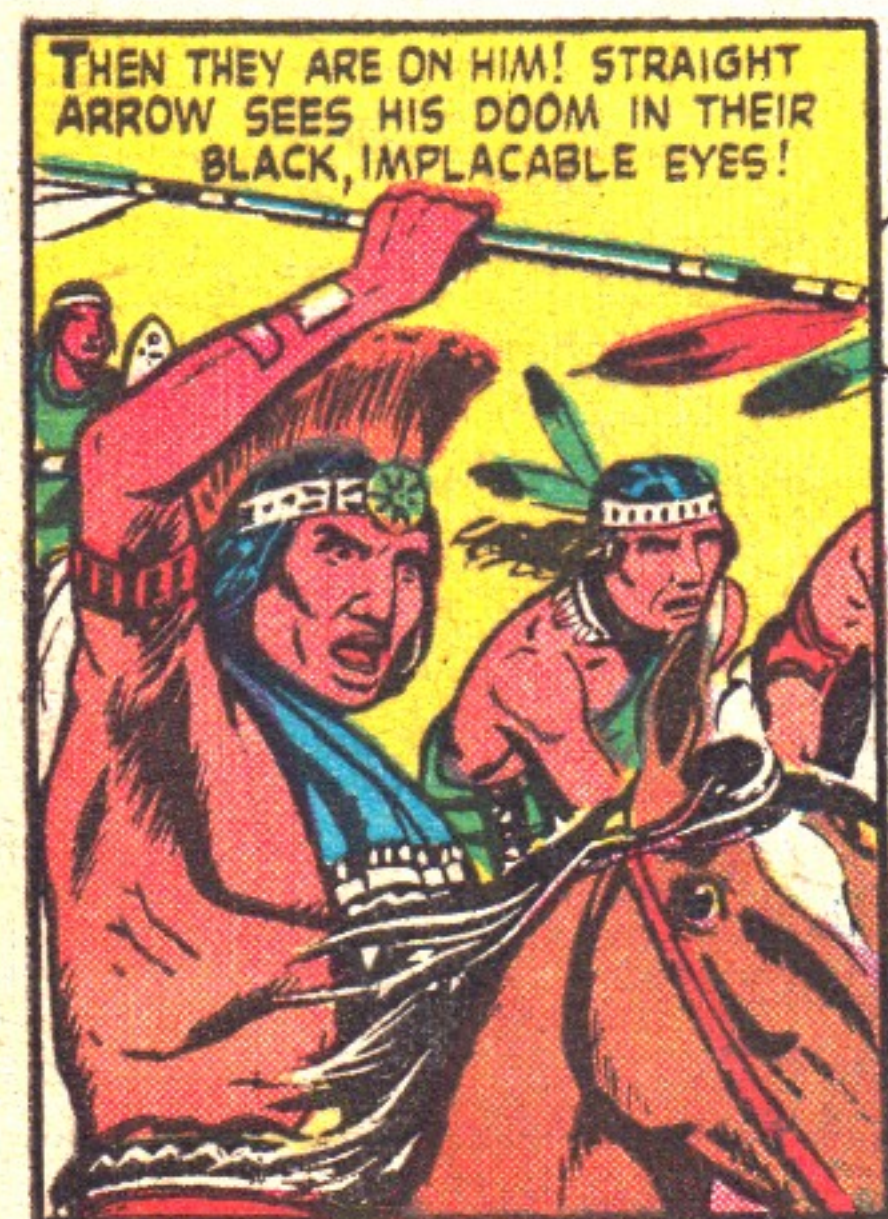
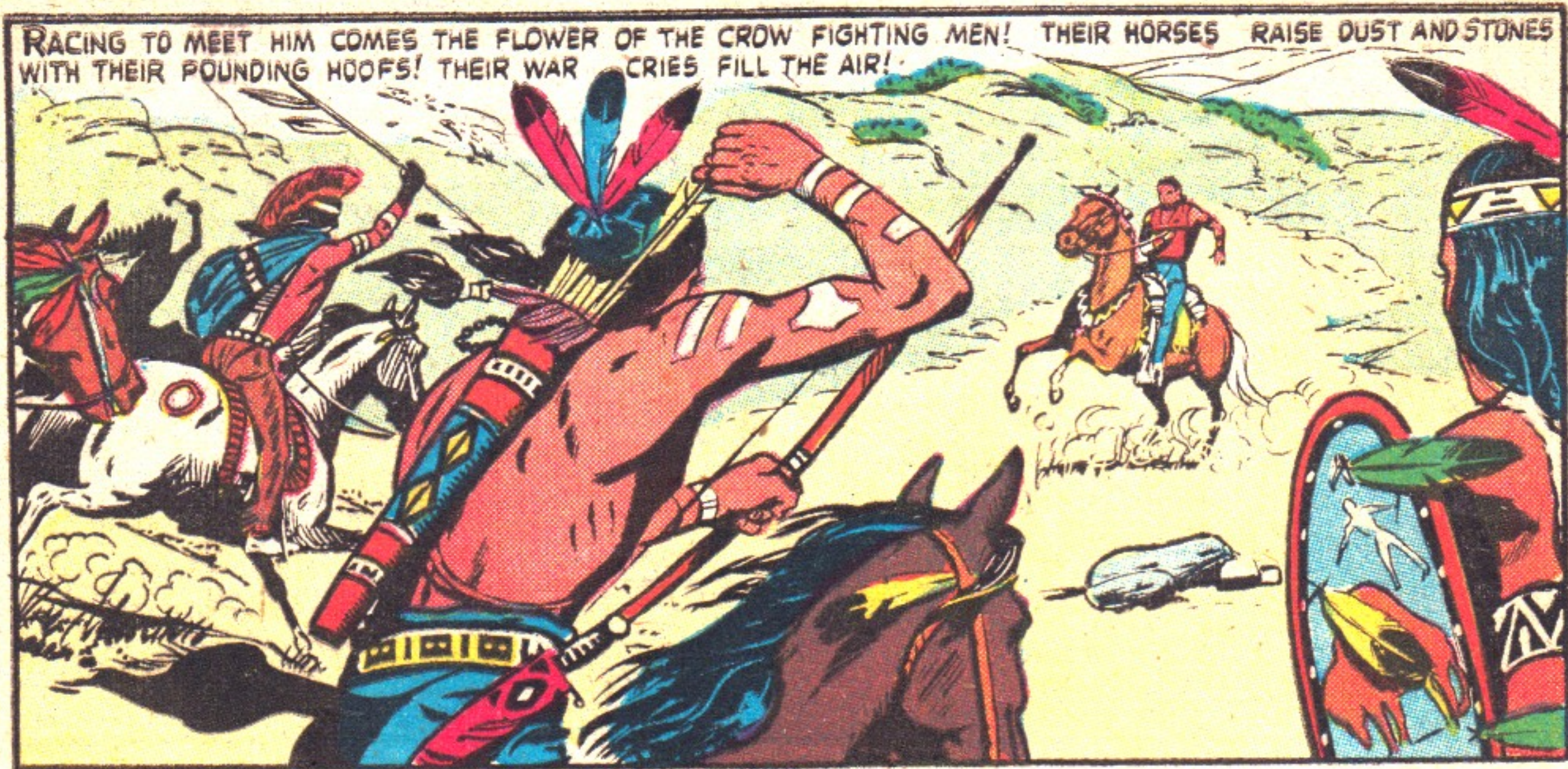
IN THE NARROW MOUNTAIN PASS THAT LEADS TO THE COMANCHE TEPEES, A MAN AND HORSE RACE TIME ITSELF, AGAINST IMPENDING DOOM....

I CAN REACH THE PASS AHEAD OF THE CROWS— BUT CAN I HOLD THEM OFF?



IF I CAN HOLD THEM OFF LONG ENOUGH TO LET THE VILLAGE KNOW THEY'RE COMING, I'LL BE HAPPY!





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YOUNG **CRAZY BEAR** IS NOT LIKE OTHER COMANCHE YOUTHS-- **HE** IS AFRAID OF WARFARE AND FIGHTING... DAILY HE PRAYS TO THE GREAT SPIRIT THAT HE WILL BE STRONG AND BRAVE--AS STRONG AND BRAVE AS **STRAIGHT ARROW**, FOR INSTANCE. IN ANSWER TO THAT PRAYER, STRAIGHT ARROW SHOWS CRAZY BEAR THE TRUE SECRET OF BRAVERY, BY REVEALING TO HIM THE TRUE MEANING OF...

"THE SPIRIT IN THE BAG"



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FOR MANY MOONS, THE LONELY CAMPFIRE OF CRAZY BEAR HAVE LIFTED THIN PLUMES OF SMOKE INTO THE SKIES.



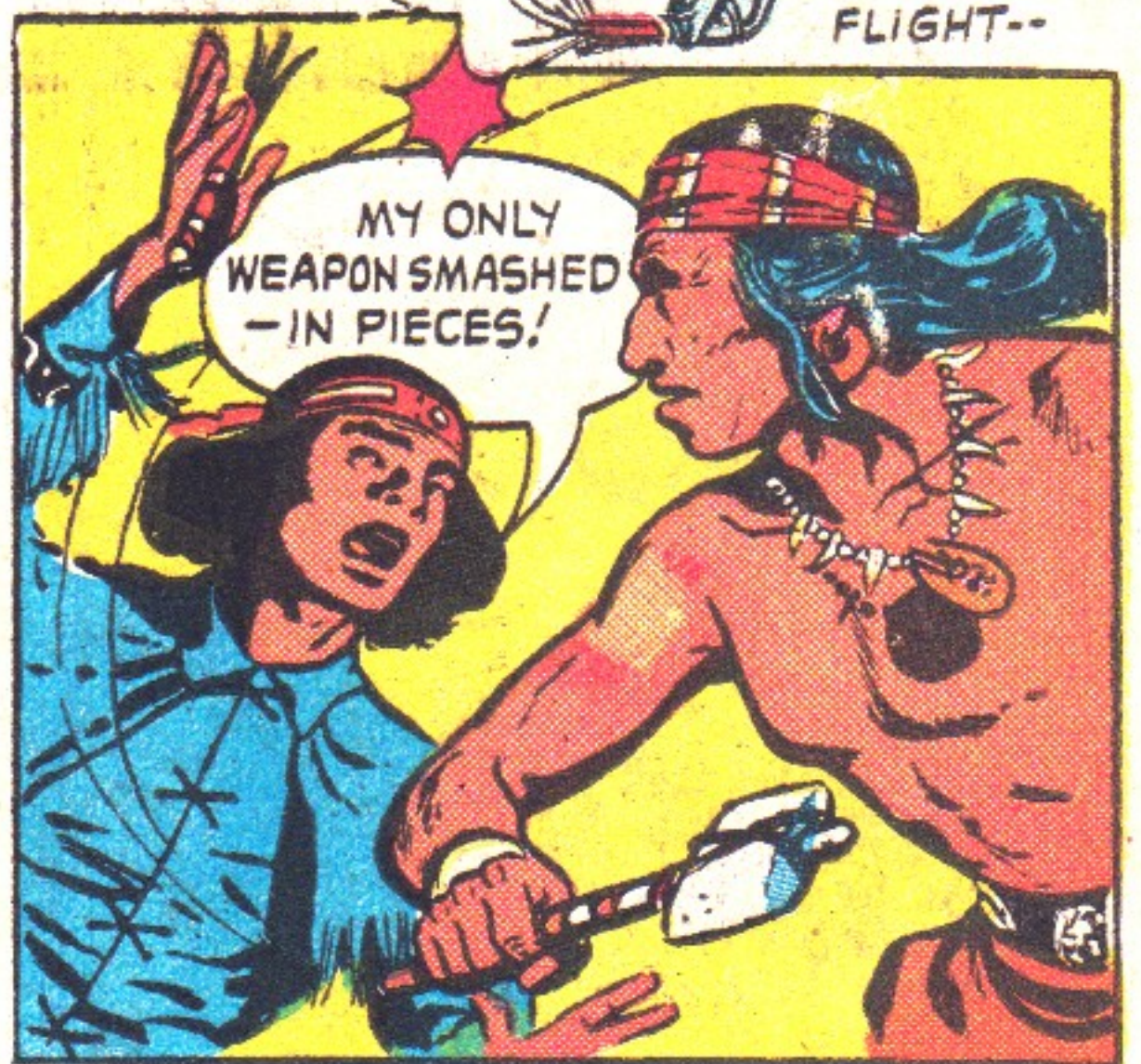
LOOK! A LONE COMANCHE MAKES MEDICINE!



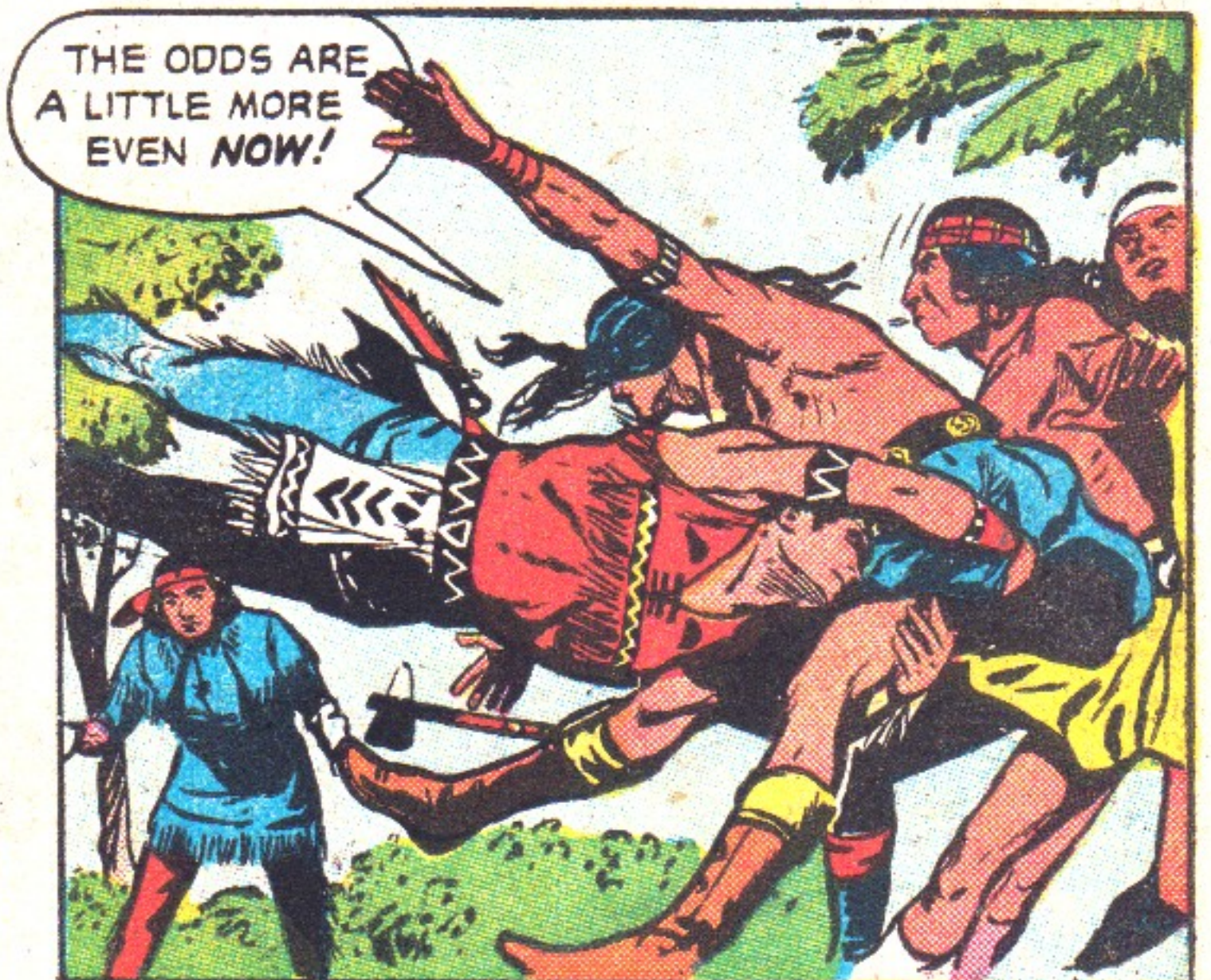
STEALTHY FEET APPROACH THE CAMPFIRE COALS. SUNK IN GLOOM, THE YOUNG COMANCHE DOES NOT HEAR THEM, UNTIL--



FOR ONE FROZEN MOMENT, CRAZY BEAR HOVERS BETWEEN FIGHT AND FLIGHT--

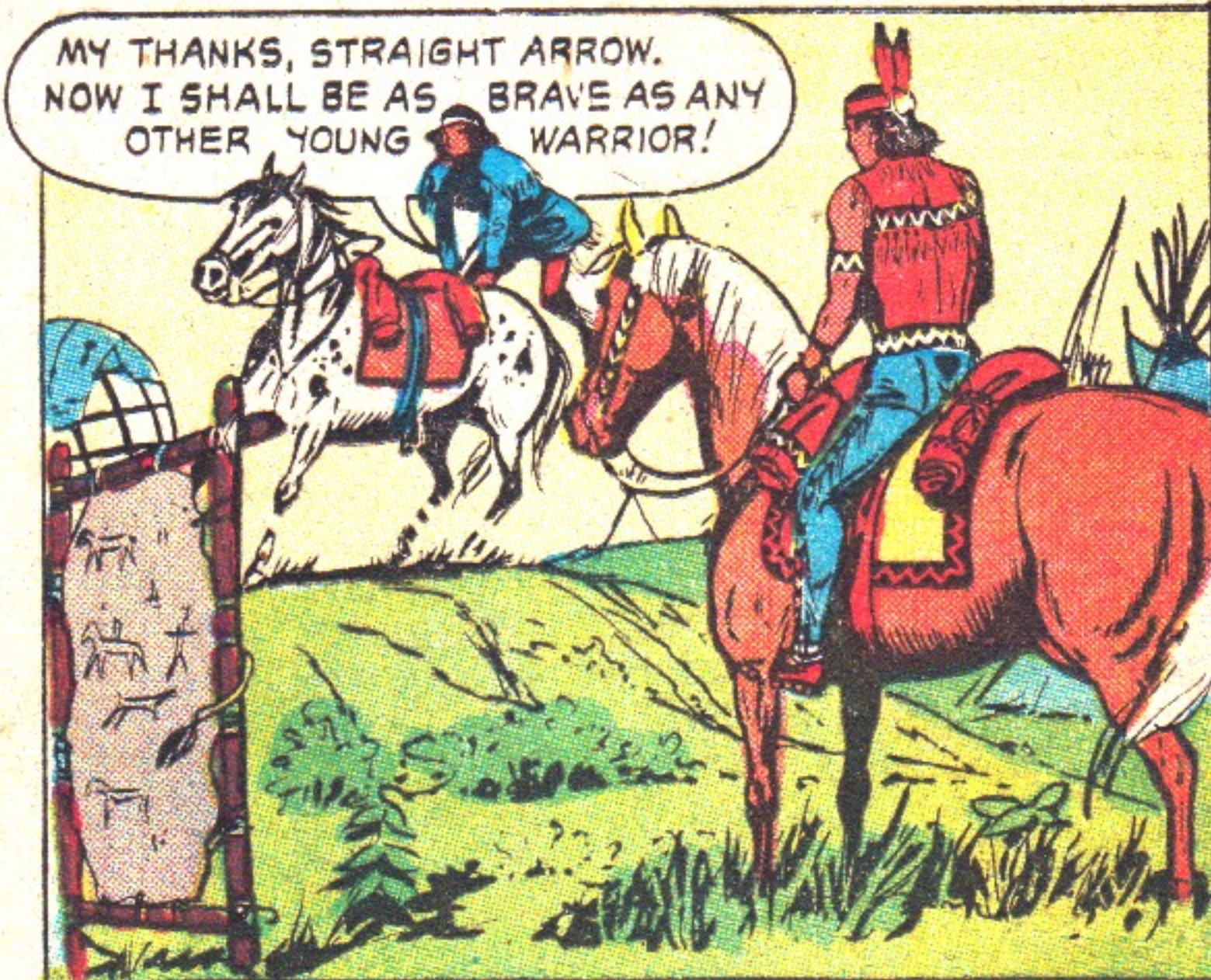


AND THEN, FROM THE FLANKING WOODS--





YOU TAKE THIS BAG. CRAZY BEAR—
I DO NOT NEED IT. PERHAPS IT
WILL HELP YOU. BUT REMEMBER—
YOU MUST NEVER OPEN IT! ONCE
YOU DO THAT, THE POWER
IS GONE!



MY THANKS, STRAIGHT ARROW.
NOW I SHALL BE AS BRAVE AS ANY
OTHER YOUNG WARRIOR!

SOME MORNINGS LATER,
THE CROW WARCRY
LIFTS IN THE AIR AMONG
THE COMANCHE TEPEES—



ANYEEEE-AAAGH!

CRAZY BEAR
SHIVERS IN
DREAD AMONG
HIS SLEEPING
BLANKETS—



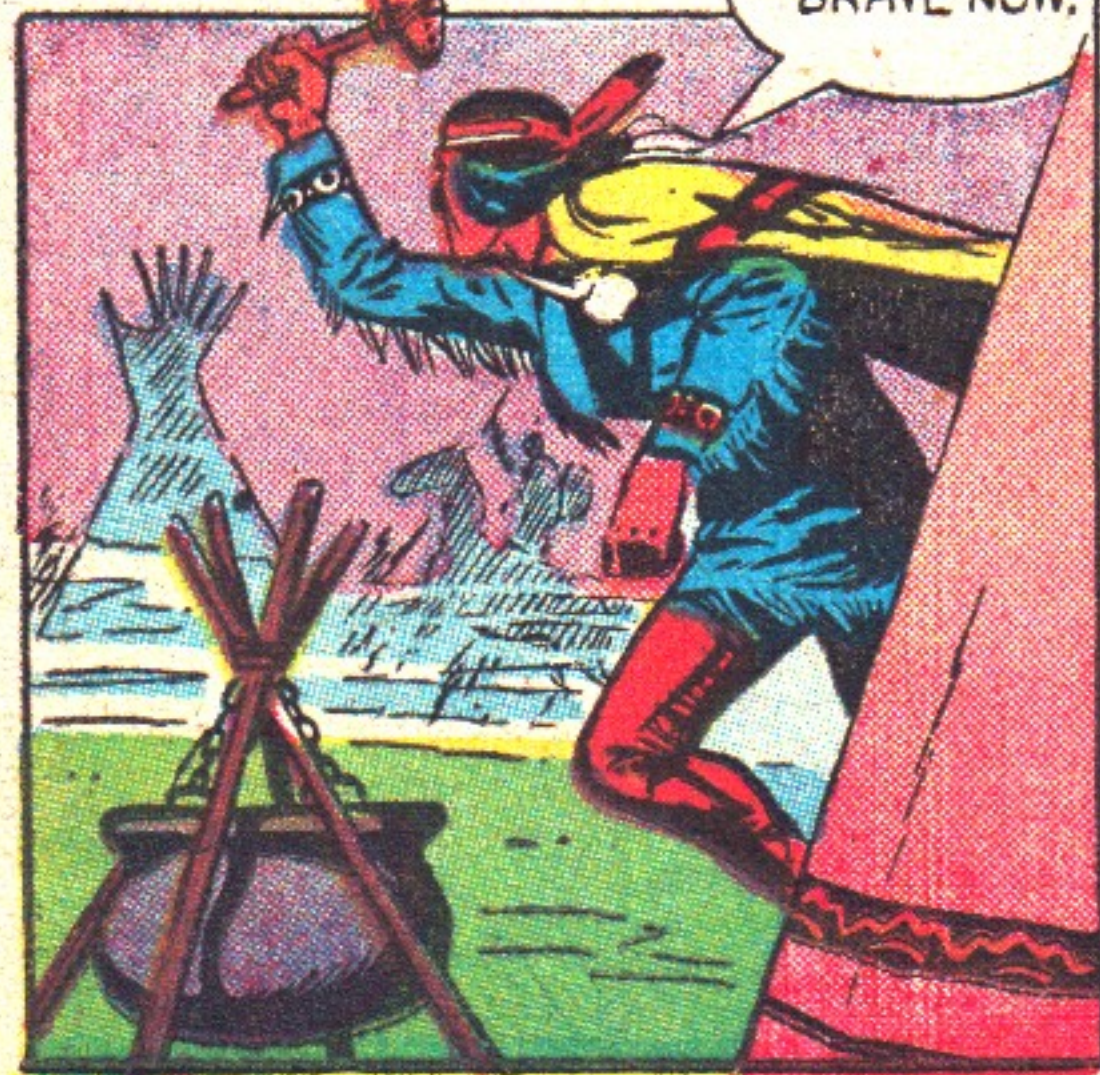
CROW
RAIDERS! I'LL
H-HAVE TO GO
OUT AND
F-FIGHT
THEM!

SUDDENLY HIS
GAZE FALLS ON
THE MEDICINE
BAG STRAIGHT
ARROW
GAVE
HIM—

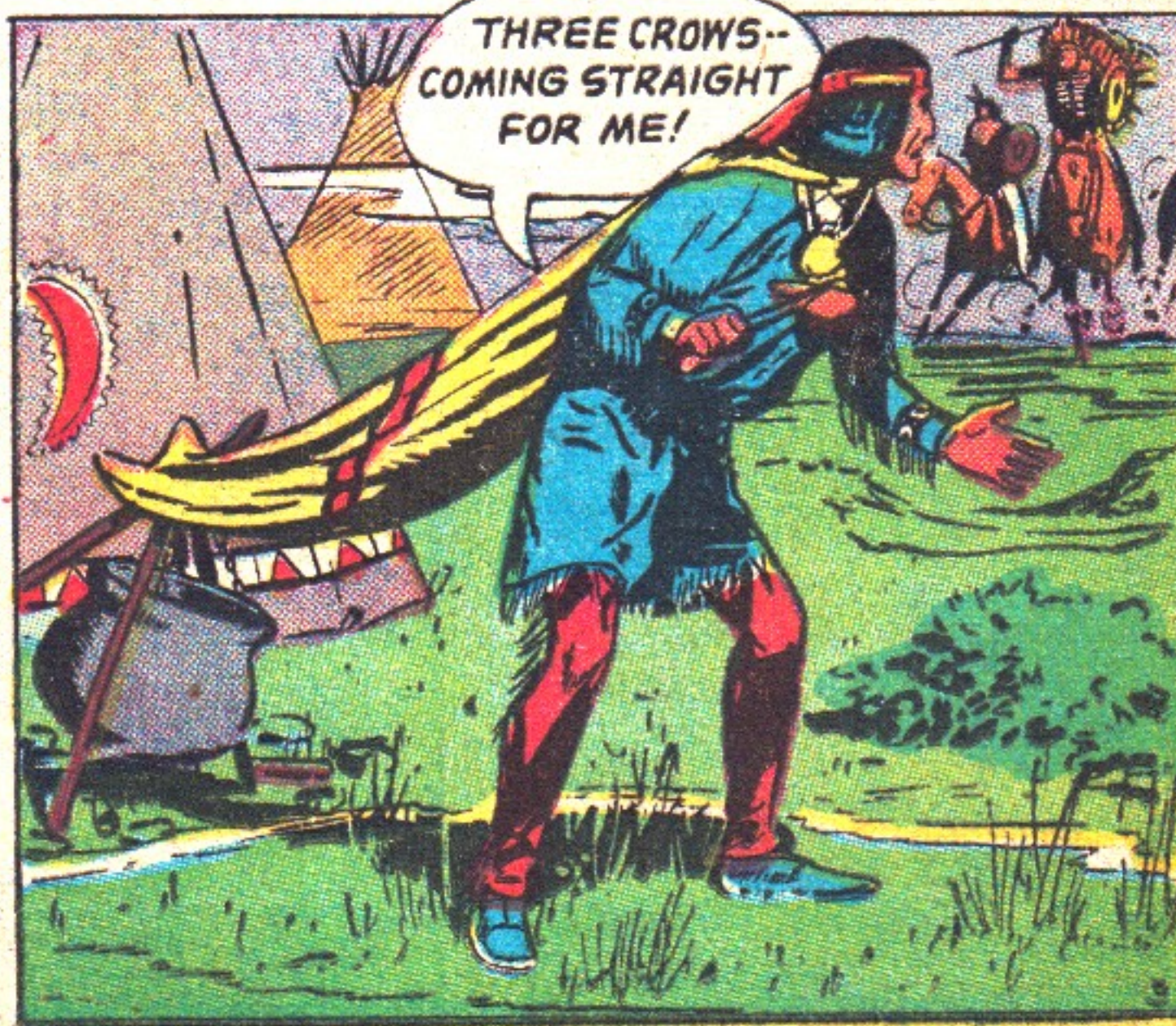


THE MEDICINE
BAG! STRAIGHT
ARROW'S MEDICINE
BAG! HOW COULD
ANYTHING HAPPEN
TO ME WHEN I'M
WEARING THAT!

WITH A HOARSE SHOUT,
HE STUMBLES OUT INTO
THE COLD DAWN MISTS—



I'LL SHOW
THEM I'M
BRAVE NOW!

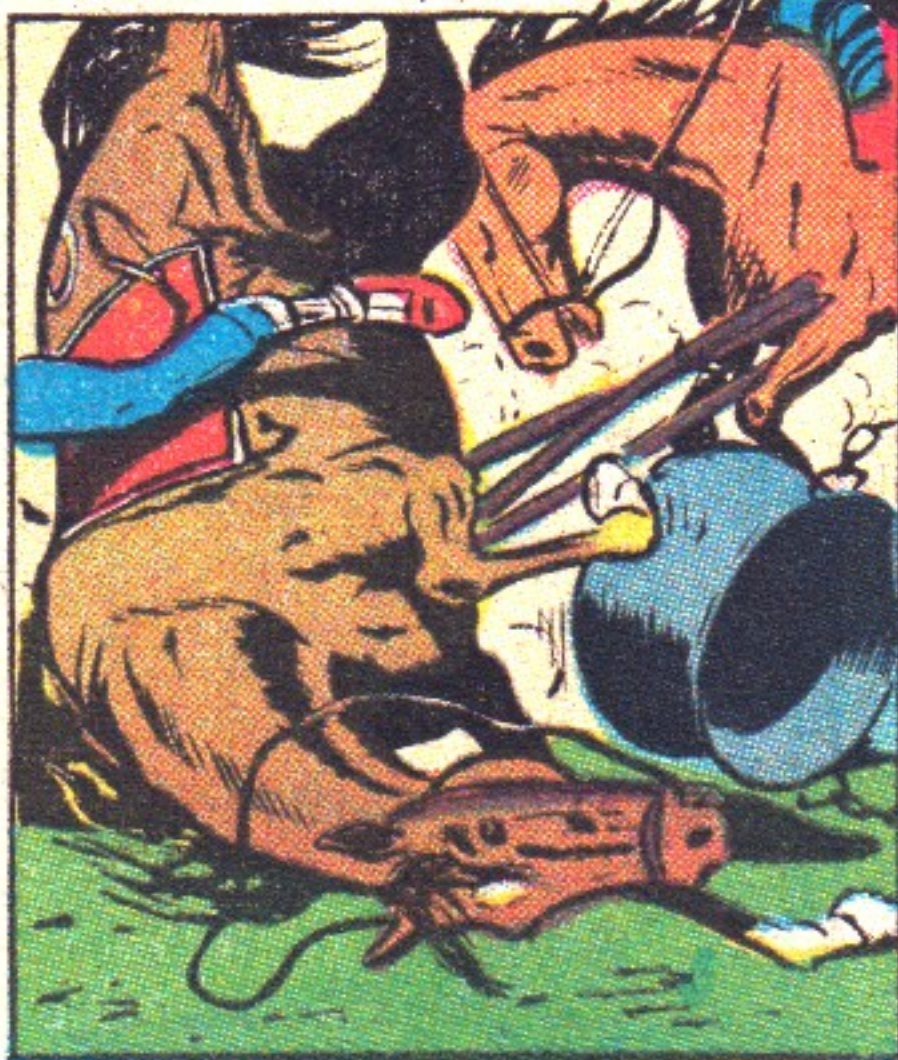


THREE CROWS—
COMING STRAIGHT
FOR ME!

EYES CLOSED IN FRIGHT, CRAZY BEAR SWINGS WILDLY.



UNSEEN BY HIM, HIS FALLEN BLANKET, TWISTED AROUND THE COOKING TRIPOD, PULLS IT OVER, AND--

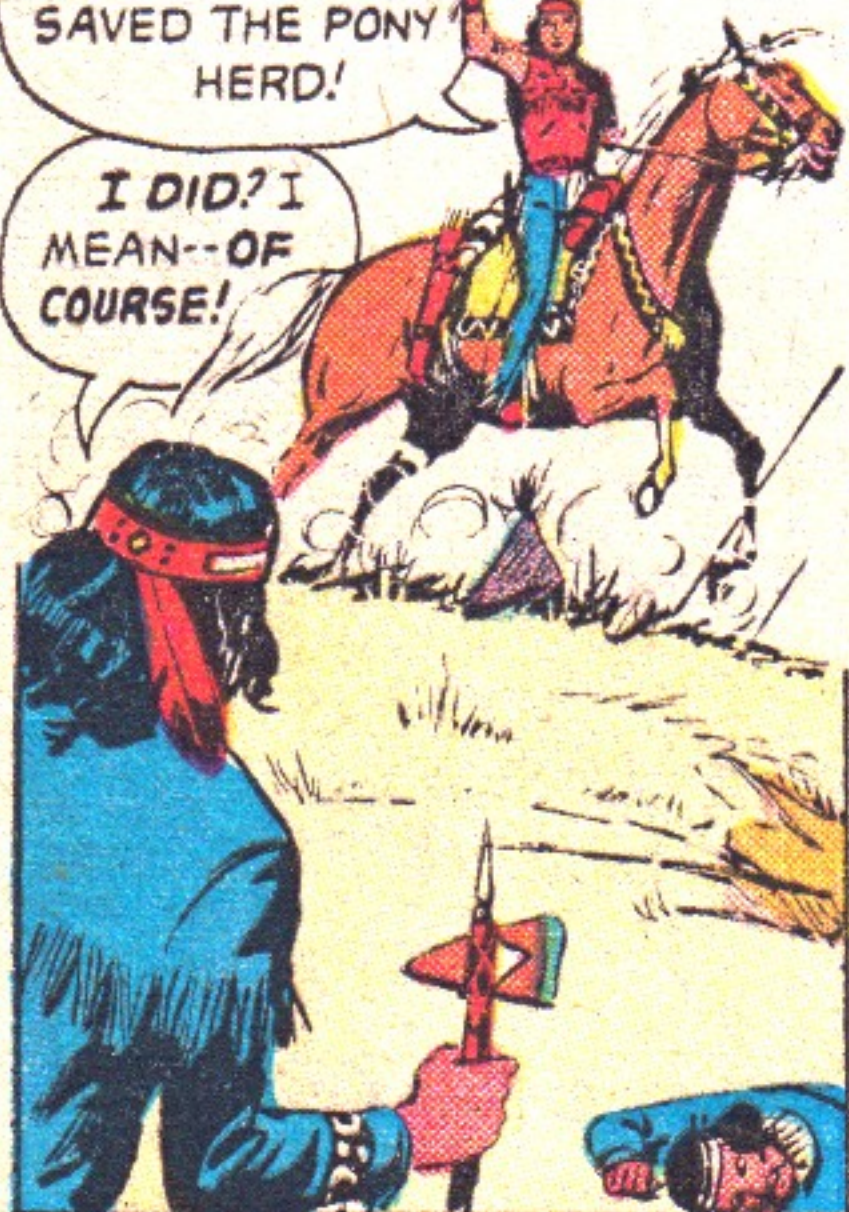


Wow! THREE AT ONCE, WITH JUST ONE SWING! WOW! THIS SURE IS MARVELOUS MEDICINE STRAIGHT ARROW GAVE ME!



GREAT WORK, CRAZY BEAR! YOU SAVED THE PONY HERD!

I DID? I MEAN--OF COURSE!



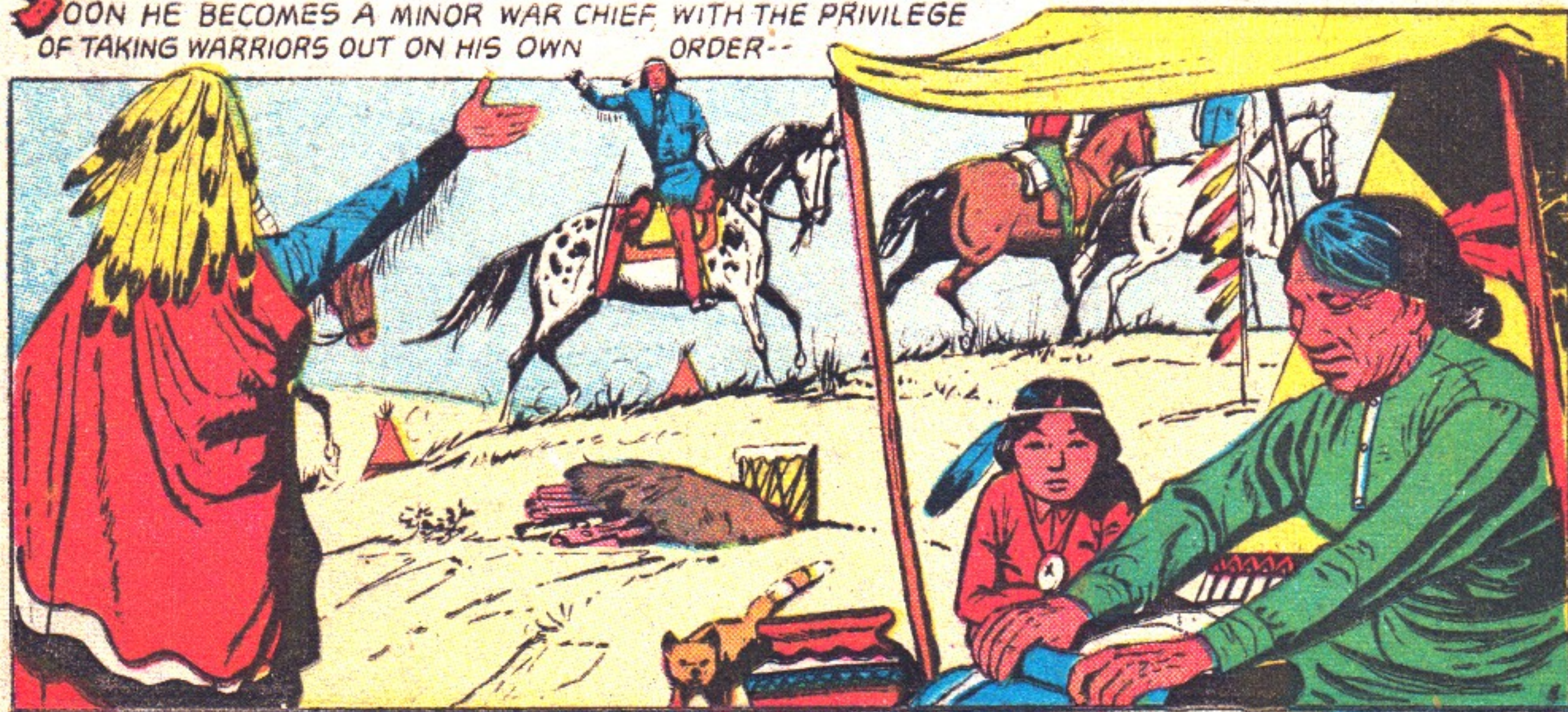
FROM THIS BEGINNING, CRAZY BEAR GOES ON A RAMPAGE. IT IS HIS COURAGE THAT ROUTS THE LIPANS--



HIS DARING HELPS AN OUTNUMBERED BAND OF COMANCHES ESCAPE DESTRUCTION--



SOON HE BECOMES A MINOR WAR CHIEF, WITH THE PRIVILEGE OF TAKING WARRIORS OUT ON HIS OWN ORDER--



NOW CRAZY BEAR CAN COURT
PRETTY MAIDENS, LIKE
SOFT MOCCASIN--



HE BRINGS TWO OF HIS FINEST PONIES
TO THE FATHER OF SOFT MOCCASIN--

GIVE ME THE MEDICINE
BAG STRAIGHT ARROW GAVE
YOU, TOGETHER WITH THE
HORSES, AND YOU CAN HAVE
SOFT MOCCASIN
AS A WIFE!



NO--
NEVER!

WITHOUT THAT MEDICINE BAG,
I WOULD BE A COWARD! IT
GIVES ME STRENGTH AND COURAGE!



AS THE WEEKS PASS INTO MONTHS,
CRAZY BEAR BECOMES ALMOST
AS FAMOUS AS STRAIGHT ARROW.
SIDE BY SIDE, THESE TWO FINE
FIGHTING MEN ROUTE THE
ARAPAHO--



THEIR DARING PREVENTS A
THEFT OF COMANCHE PONIES BY
A BAND OF RAIDING UTE--

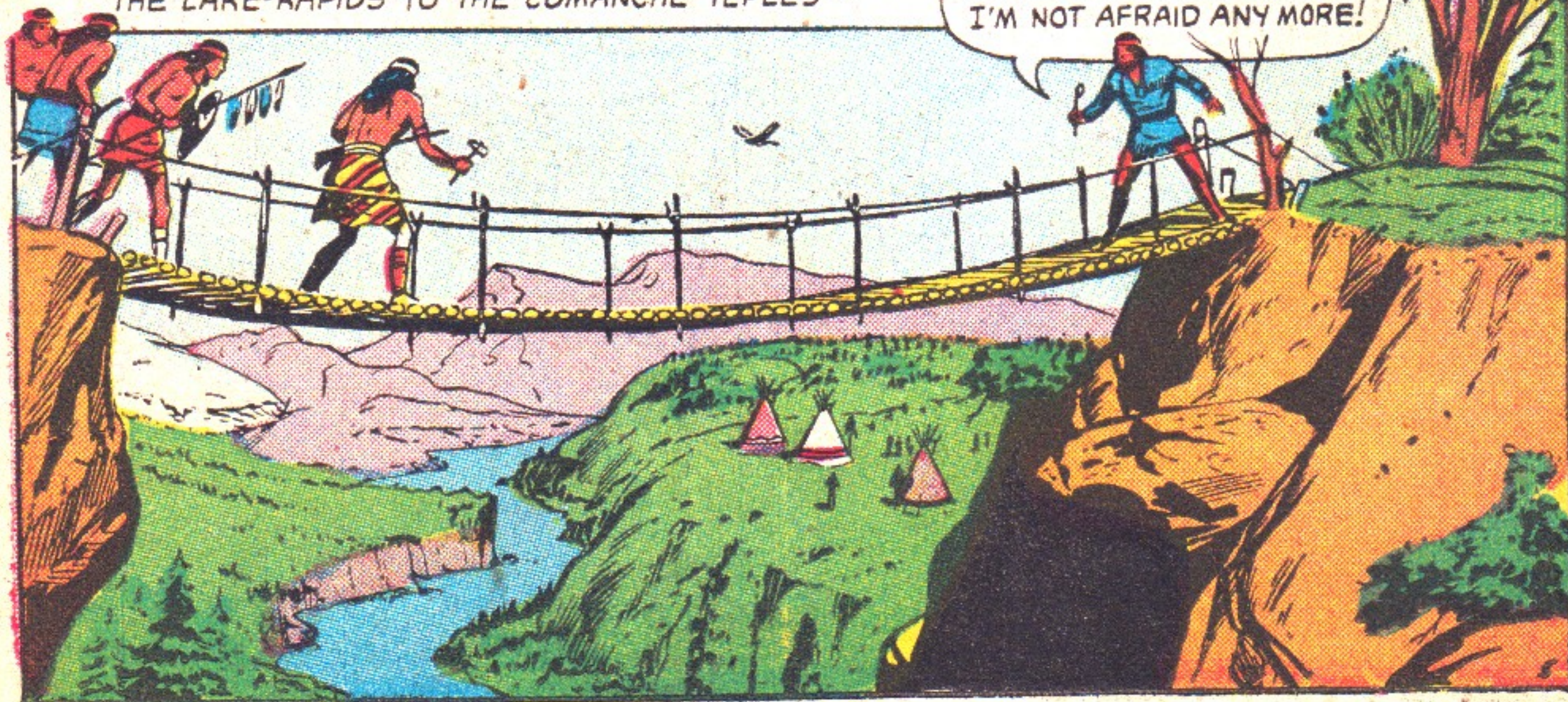


EARLY ONE EVEN-
ING, AS CRAZY
BEAR WALKS WITH
SOFT MOCCASIN
NEAR THE BANK
OF A LAKE--

APACHES!
RUN SWIFTLY,
AND WARN
THE CAMP!



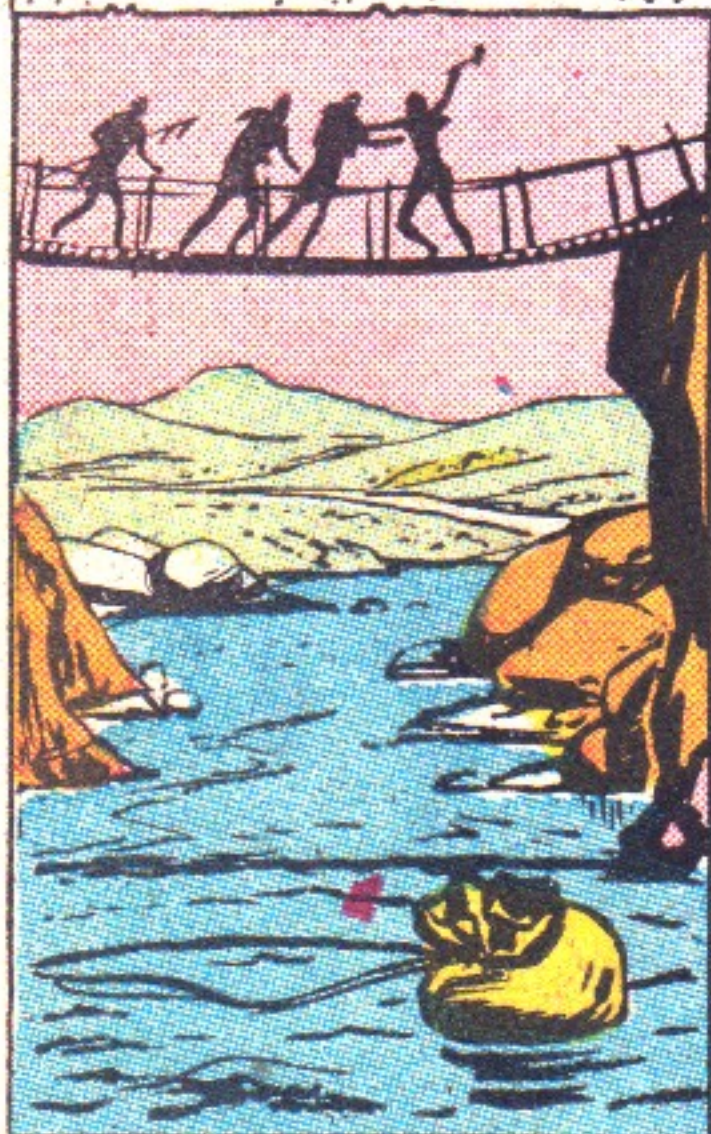
ALONE, HE ADVANCES TO HOLD THE BRIDGE THAT CROSSES
THE LAKE-RAPIDS TO THE COMANCHE TEPEES--



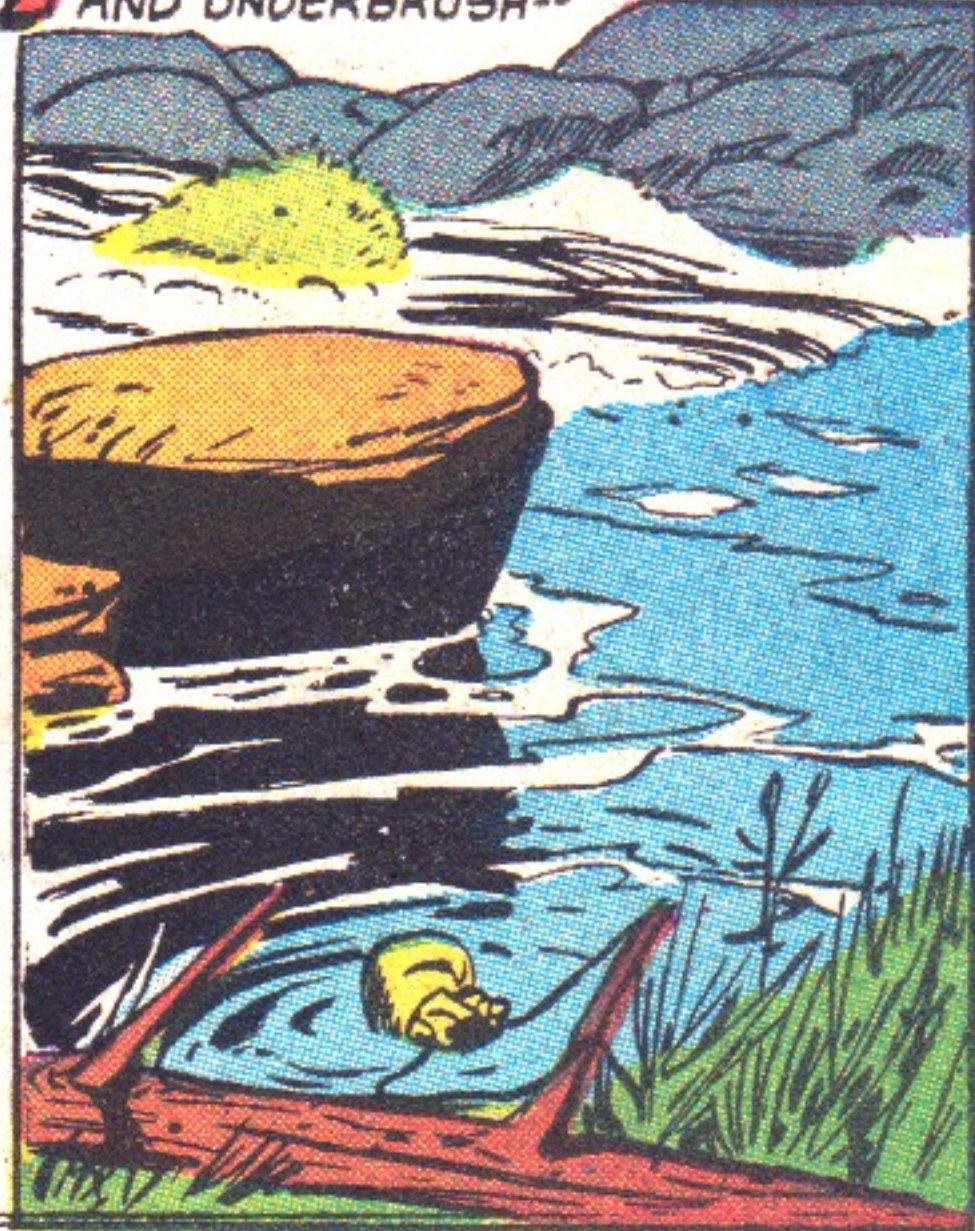
A LANCE STABS OUT. IT MISSES CRAZY BEAR--BUT SEVERS THE THONG OF HIS MEDICINE BAG!



THE BAG FALLS INTO THE RAPIDS AND IS SWEEPED AWAY--



TO COME TO REST IN A TANGLE OF REEDS AND UNDERBRUSH--

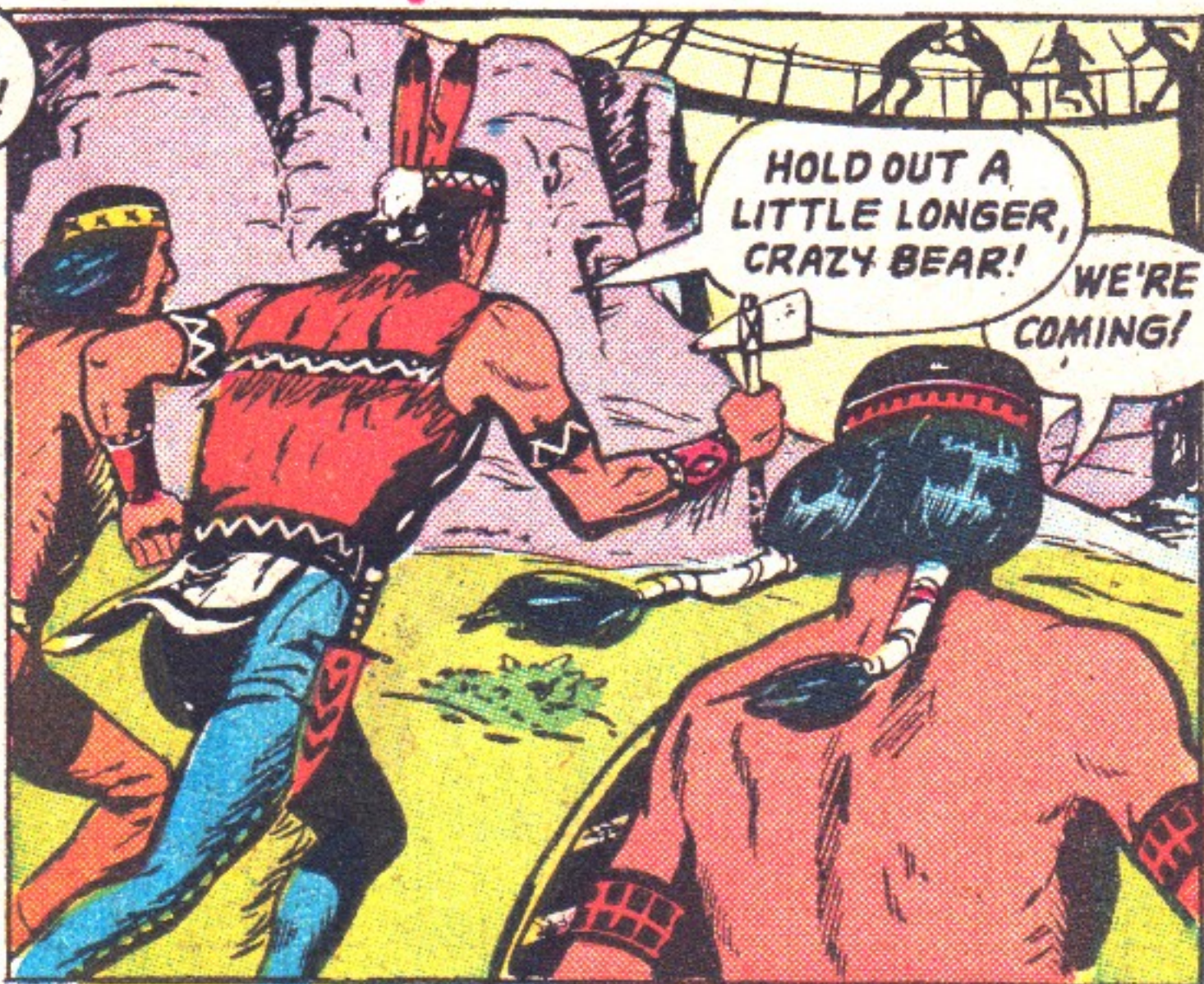


MEANWHILE, SOFT MOCASSIN SPREADS THE NEWS...

APACHES! CRAZY BEAR HOLDS THE LOG BRIDGE AGAINST THEM!



HOLD OUT A LITTLE LONGER, CRAZY BEAR! WE'RE COMING!

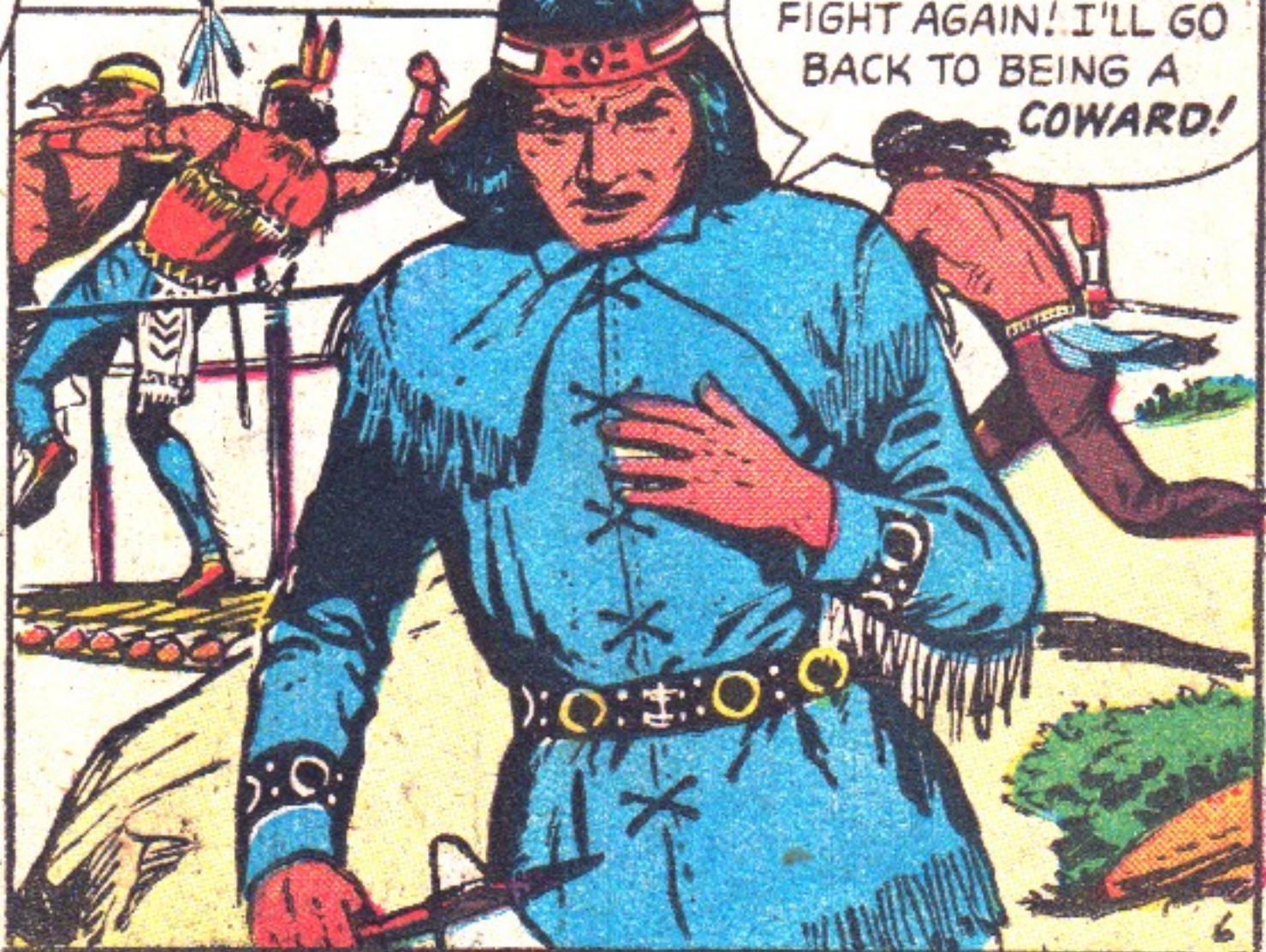


GOOD WORK, CRAZY BEAR! YOU SEE, YOU DON'T NEED THAT MEDICINE BAG ANY MORE! YOU HELD THEM WITHOUT IT!

THE BAG? WITHOUT IT? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

CRAZY BEAR TURNS WHITE! HIS TREMBLING HAND FUMBLES AT HIS CHEST...

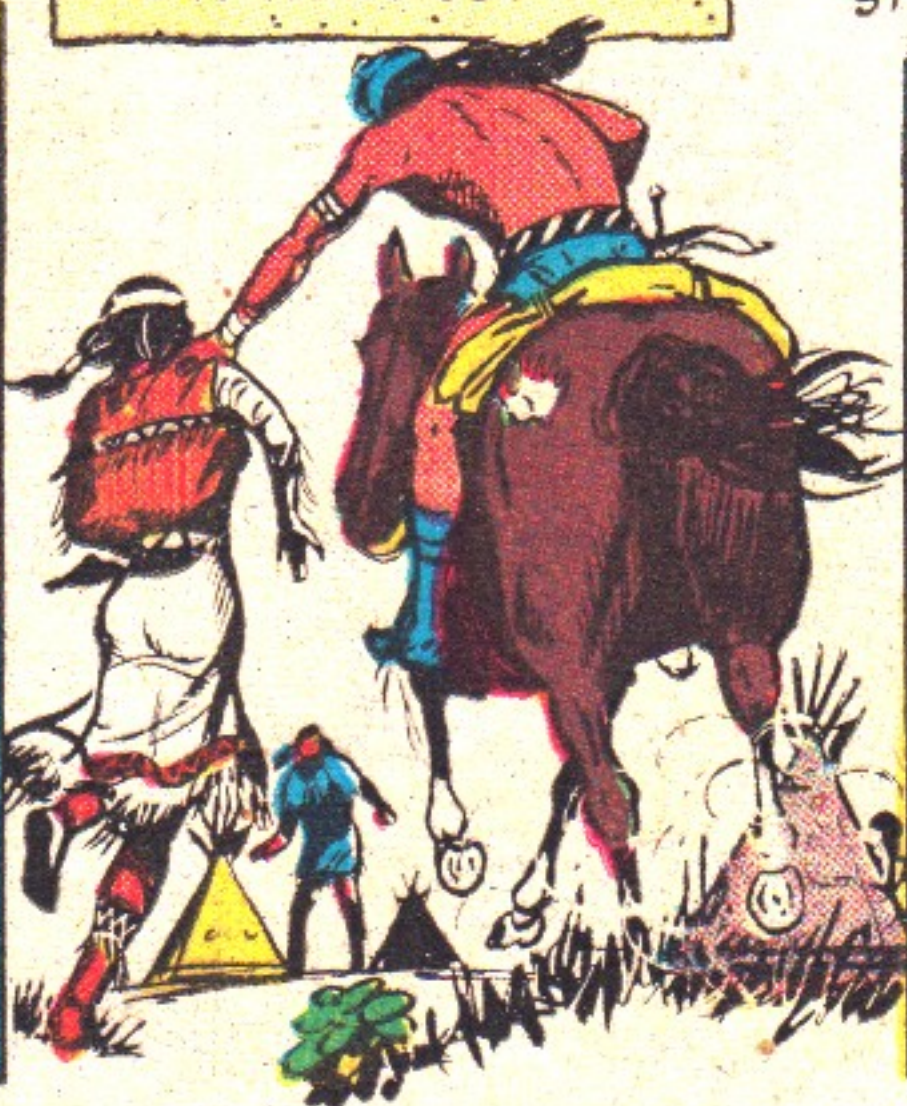
IT'S GONE! I'VE LOST IT! NOW I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO FIGHT AGAIN! I'LL GO BACK TO BEING A COWARD!



BEADS OF SWEAT DAPPLE HIS BROW AS HE STAGGERS FROM THE BRIDGE...



AS HE BLUNDERS BACK AMONG THE TEPEES, A CRY RINGS OUT--

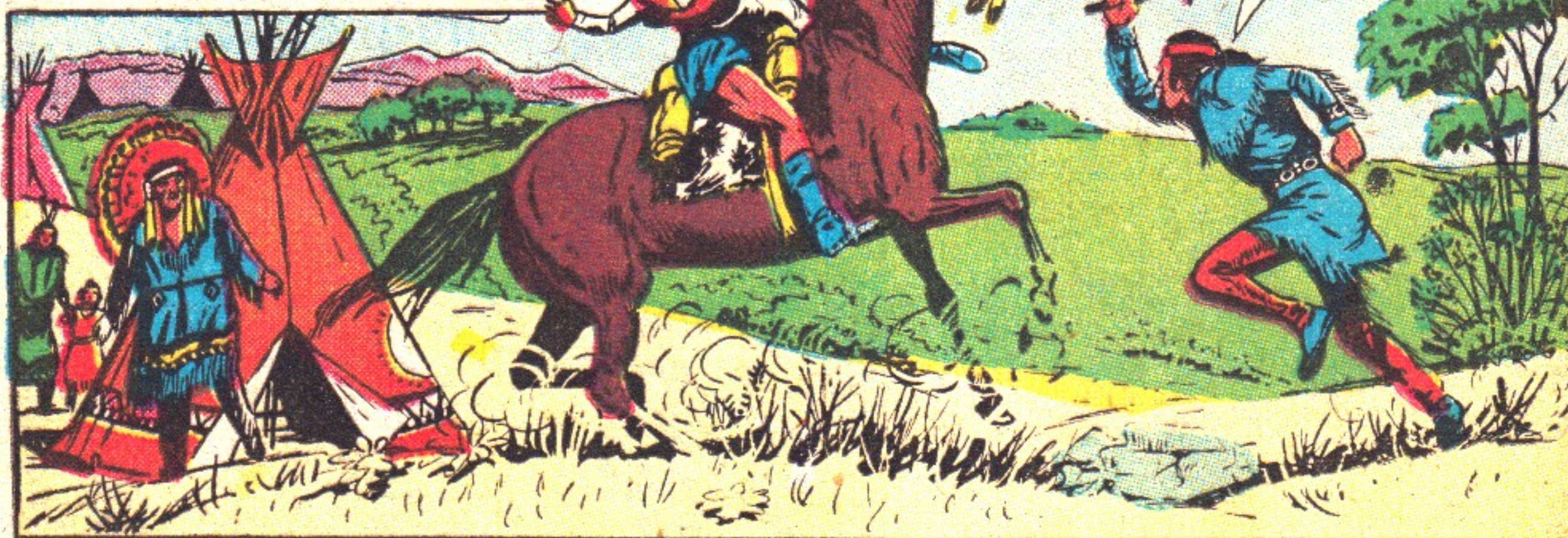


FOR A MOMENT, CRAZY BEAR STANDS LIKE A STUNNED MAN--



HE WILL CAPTURE HER AND MAKE HER HIS WIFE, IN THE CUSTOM OF THE INDIANS!

SOMETHING HARDENS INSIDE CRAZY BEAR! FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE, HE FORGETS HIMSELF--AND THINKS ONLY OF SOFT MOCASSIN! IN A FIGHTING RAGE, HE HURTTLES FORWARD!



DEFEND YOURSELF, APACHE!

A MOMENT LATER...



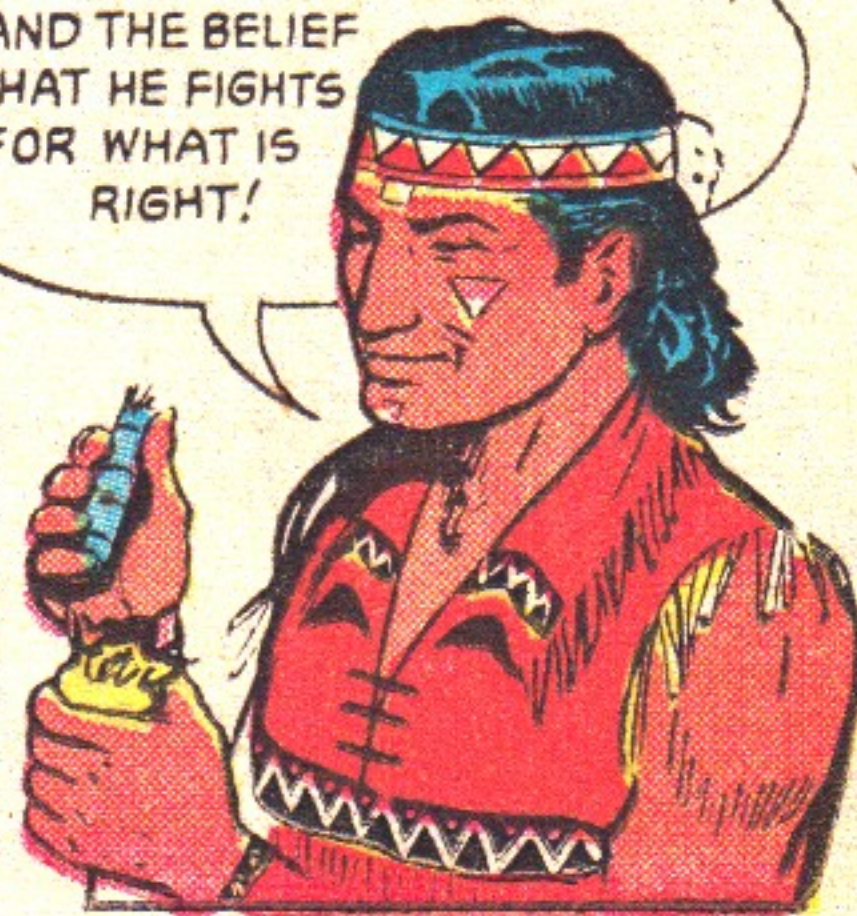
YOU SAVED ME--AND YOU DIDN'T HAVE YOUR MEDICINE BAG TO HELP YOU!

THE FIGHT IS SOON OVER, AND THE APACHES DRIVEN OFF...

YOU'LL NEVER NEED THE MEDICINE BAG AGAIN, EITHER. YOU'VE PROVED YOUR COURAGE TO YOURSELF!



BESIDES, ALL I PUT IN THE MEDICINE BAG WAS A PIECE OF YOUR OWN BROKEN WARCLUB--THE ONE THE APACHES SHATTERED BEFORE I CHASED THEM AWAY! MAYBE THIS WILL PROVE THAT ALL A MAN NEEDS TO GIVE HIM COURAGE IS CONFIDENCE, AND THE BELIEF THAT HE FIGHTS FOR WHAT IS RIGHT!



RED HAWK

I SAW BIGFOOT COME IN HERE. THERE'S NO WAY IN OR OUT BUT THE DOOR, AND I WAS WATCHING THAT! HOW DID HE DISAPPEAR?

WHEN INDIAN WARRIORS GO ON A HUNT, STRANGE THINGS SOMETIMES HAPPEN TO THEM. YET WHEN **BIGFOOT**, GIANT FIGHTING MAN OF THE CHEYENNES, MANAGES TO DISAPPEAR INTO THIN AIR RIGHT UNDER THE EYES OF HIS BEST FRIEND, **RED HAWK**, THEN YOUNG RED HAWK IS FACED WITH A REAL TOUGH PROBLEM: WHERE DID HIS FRIEND GO? HOW DID HE DISAPPEAR IN AN EMPTY ROOM? CAN RED HAWK SOLVE THE MYSTERIOUS RIDDLE OF

THE DISAPPEARANCE OF BIGFOOT

A BIGHORN RAM IS THEIR QUARRY AS **RED HAWK** AND **BIGFOOT** GIVE CHASE THROUGH THE MESA COUNTRY...

WE HAVE HIM TRAPPED AGAINST THE CANYON WALL!

THE HUGE SHEEP SEEMS TO RUN RIGHT THROUGH STONE ITSELF, BUT WHEN THE CHEYENNE WARRIORS RACE UP, THEY SEE A NARROW OPENING —

HE WENT THROUGH HERE AND — LOOK! THE STONE HOUSES OF THE OLD CLIFF-DWELLERS!



THOSE STONE HOUSES ARE DESERTED NOW. NOBODY KNOWS WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVED IN THEM...

I'M MORE INTERESTED IN WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BIG SHEEP!

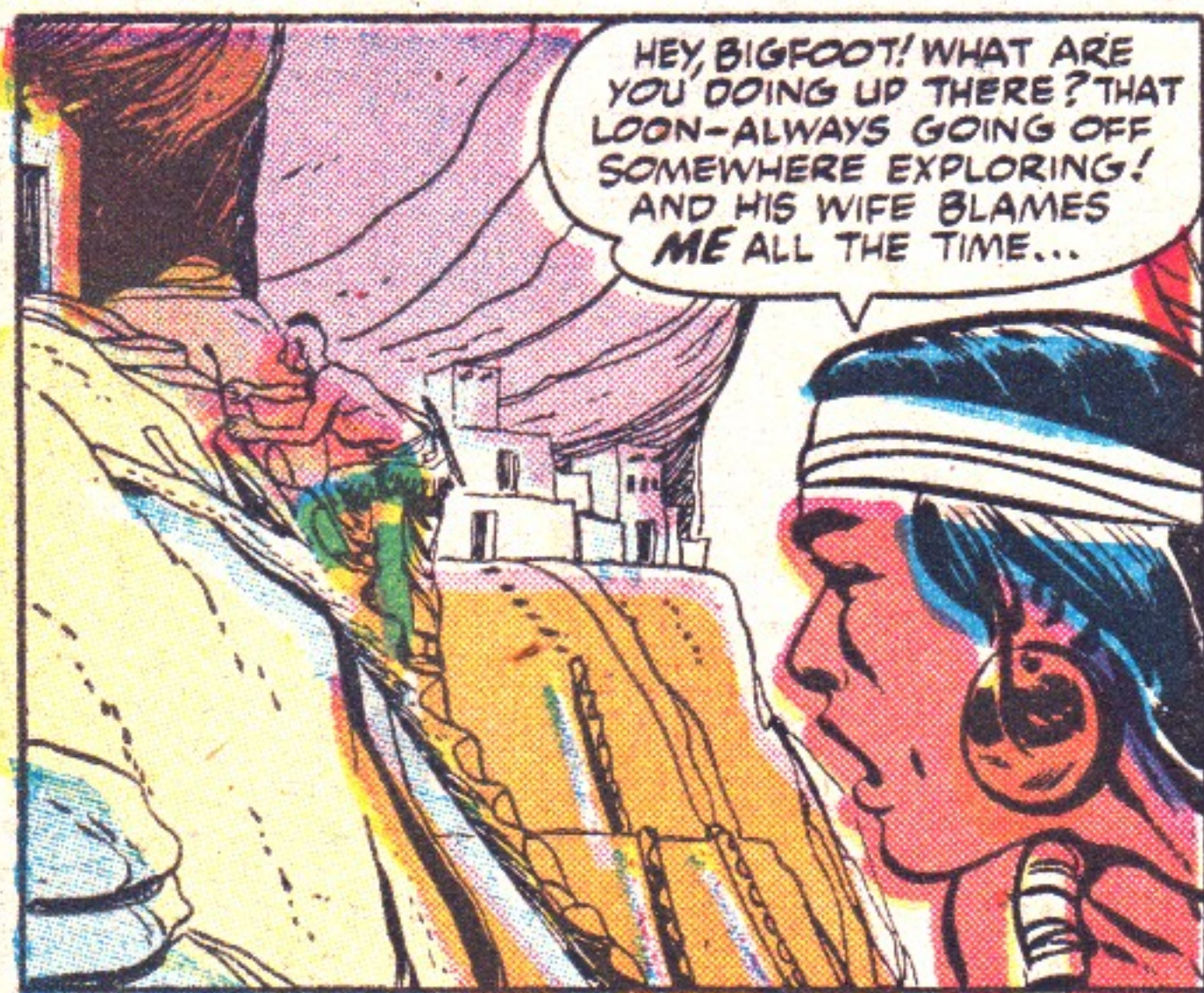


THERE HE GOES!



AN ARROW WHISTLES IN THE AIR. THE HUGE RAM DROPS. A MOMENT LATER—

GOT HIM WITH MY FIRST ARROW. HOW ABOUT THAT, BIGFOOT? SOME SHOT, HUH?



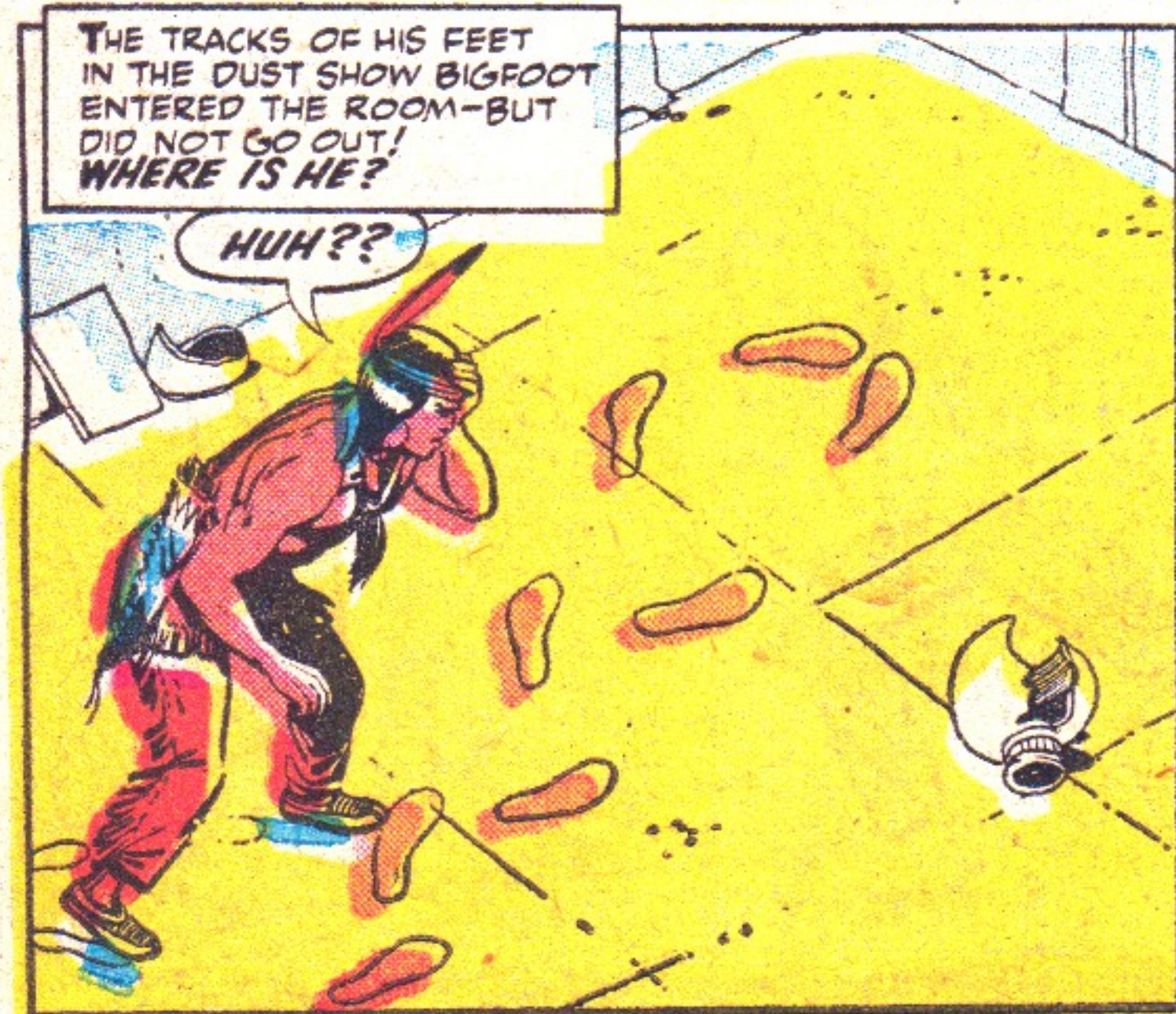
HEY, BIGFOOT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING UP THERE? THAT LOON—ALWAYS GOING OFF SOMEWHERE EXPLORING! AND HIS WIFE BLAMES ME ALL THE TIME...



AS THE MINUTES LENGTHEN INTO AN HOUR AND BIGFOOT DOES NOT RETURN, RED HAWK GROWS WORRIED...

I SAW HIM GO IN THAT DOORWAY, BUT HE NEVER CAME OUT!

HEY, BIGFOOT, STOP PLAYING GAMES! WHERE ARE YOU?

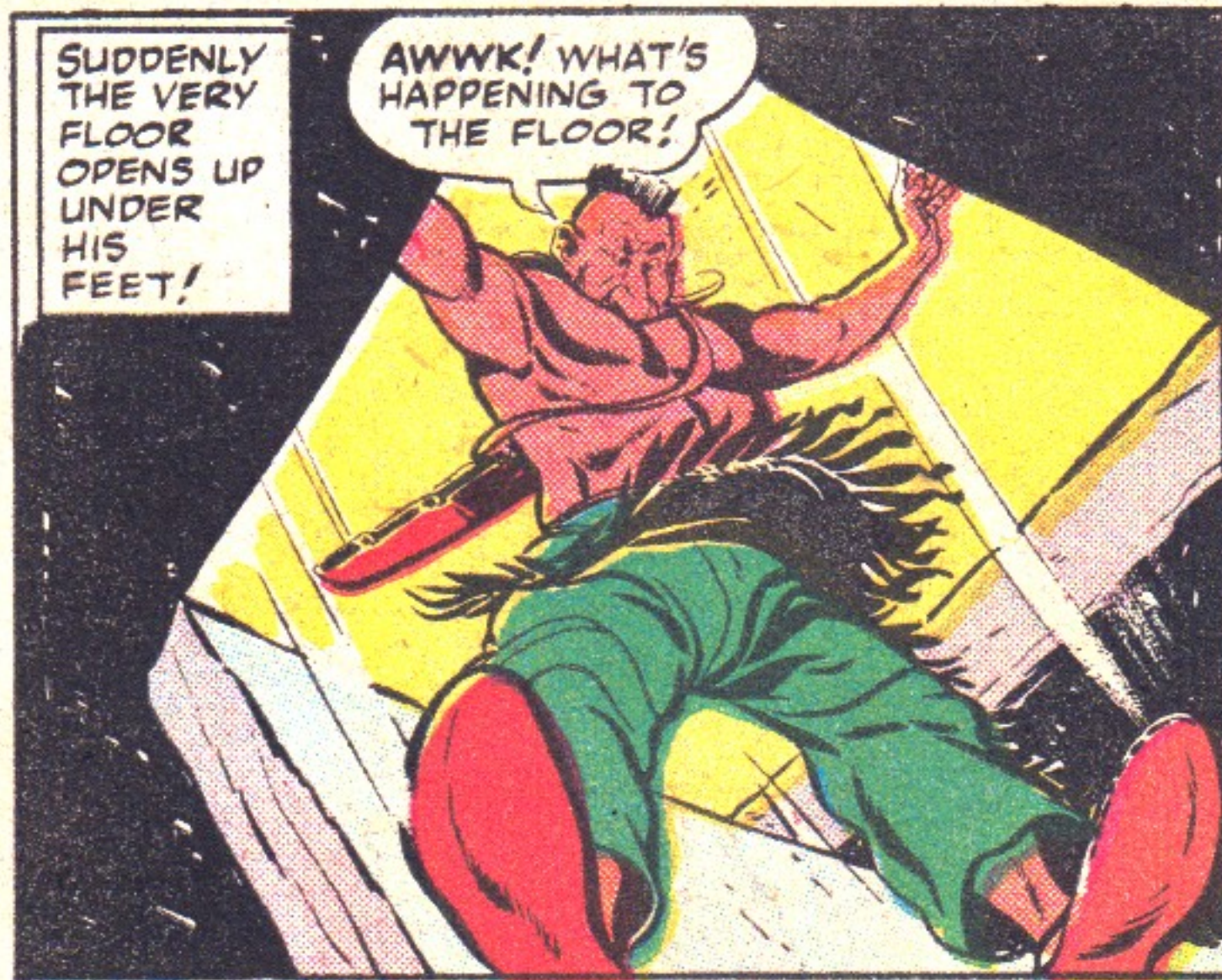
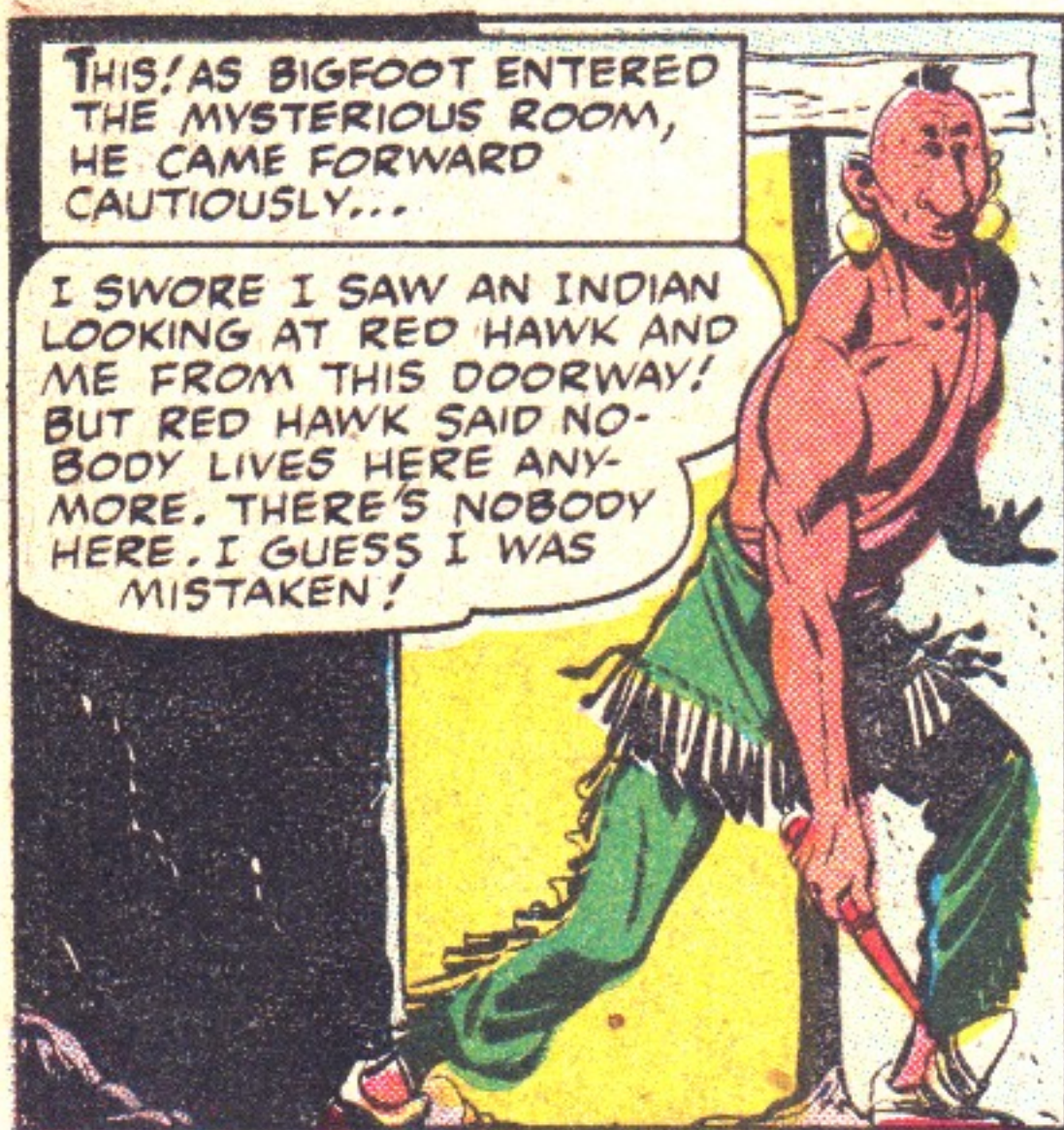


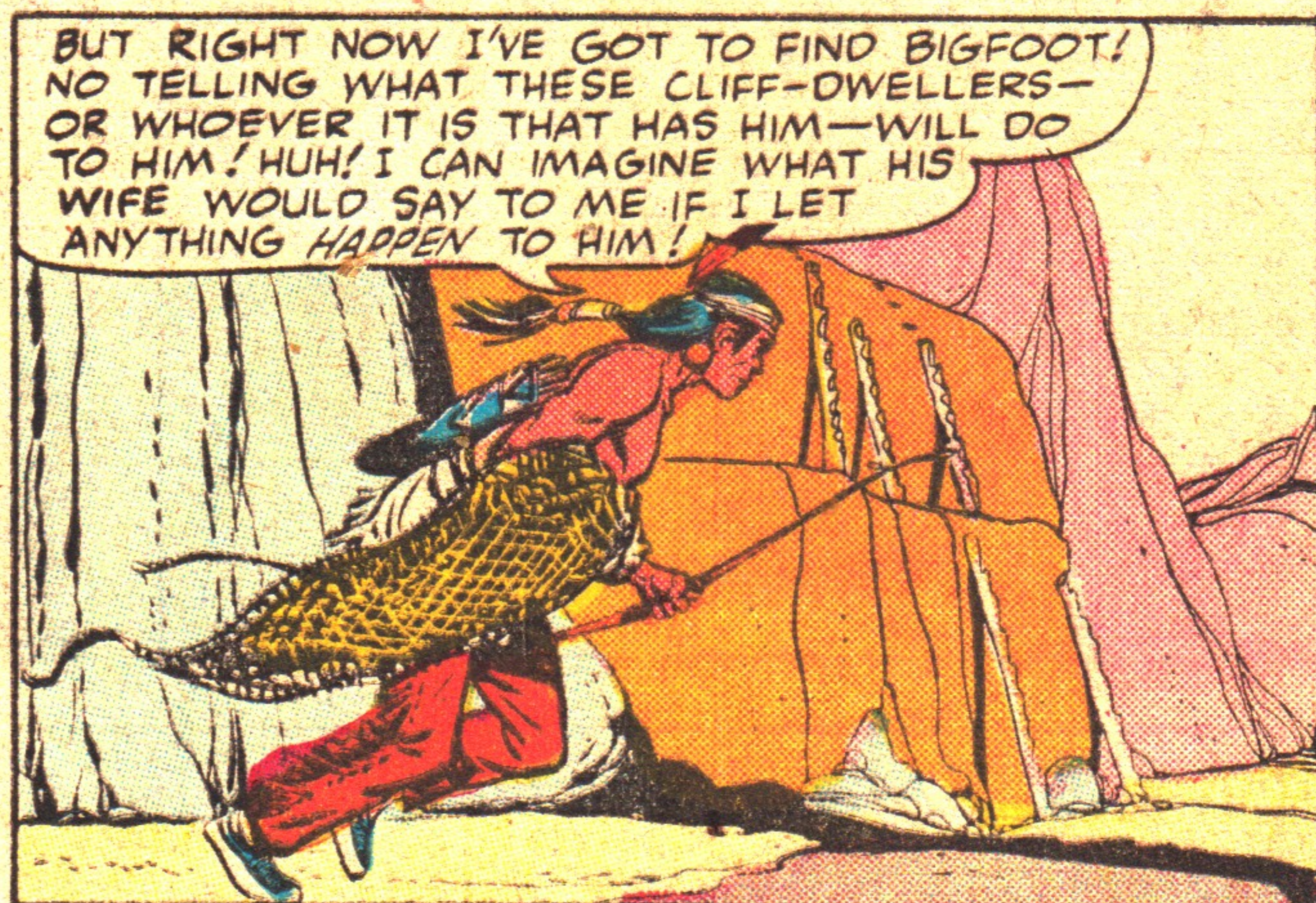
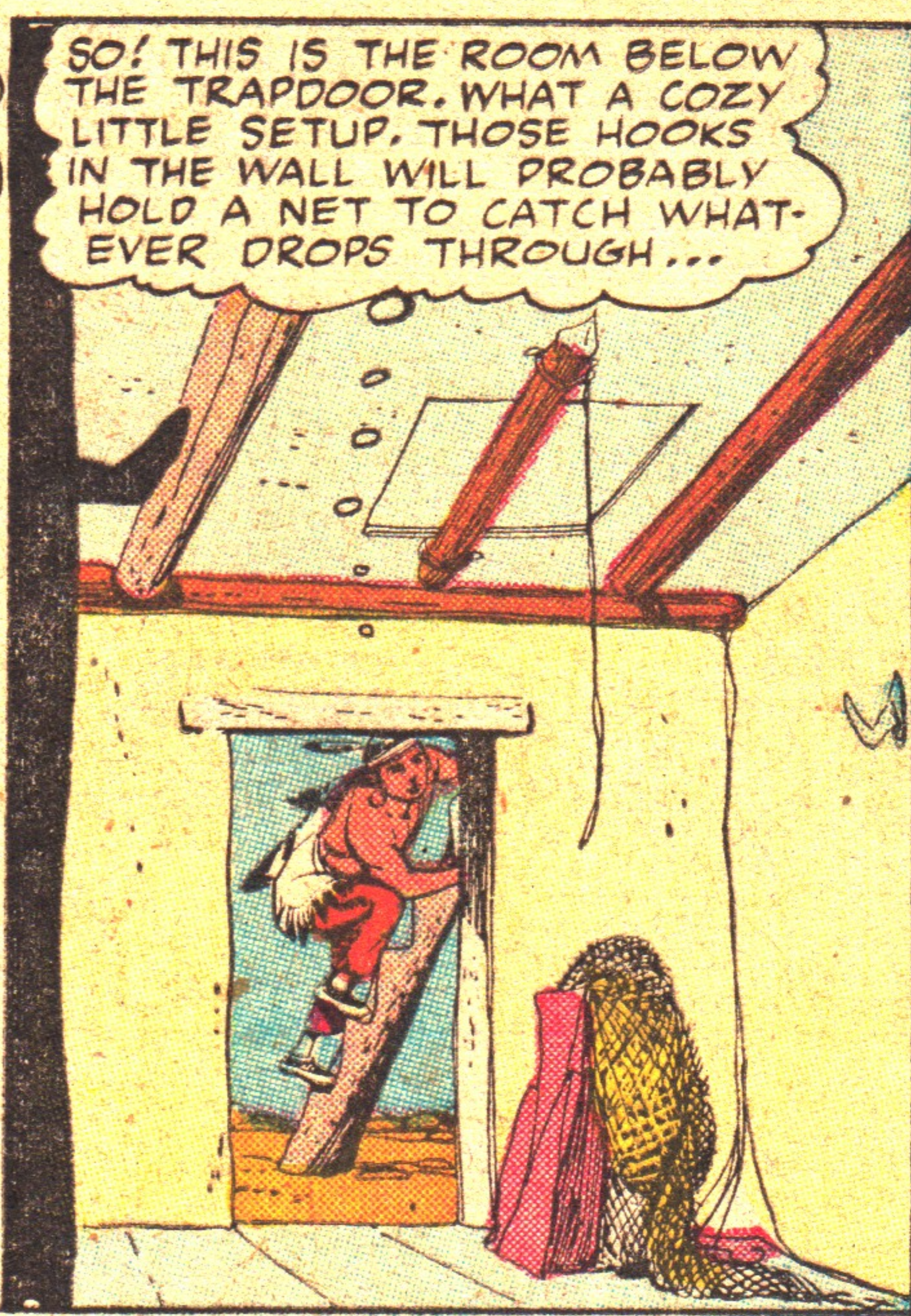
THE TRACKS OF HIS FEET IN THE DUST SHOW BIGFOOT ENTERED THE ROOM—BUT DID NOT GO OUT! WHERE IS HE?

HUH??



HE HAS TO BE HERE— BUT HE *ISN'T*! THERE SEEMS TO BE NO WAY OUT— BUT HE FOUND A WAY! OR ELSE— THE EVIL SPIRITS SWALLOWED HIM! WHAT REALLY DID HAPPEN TO BIGFOOT?





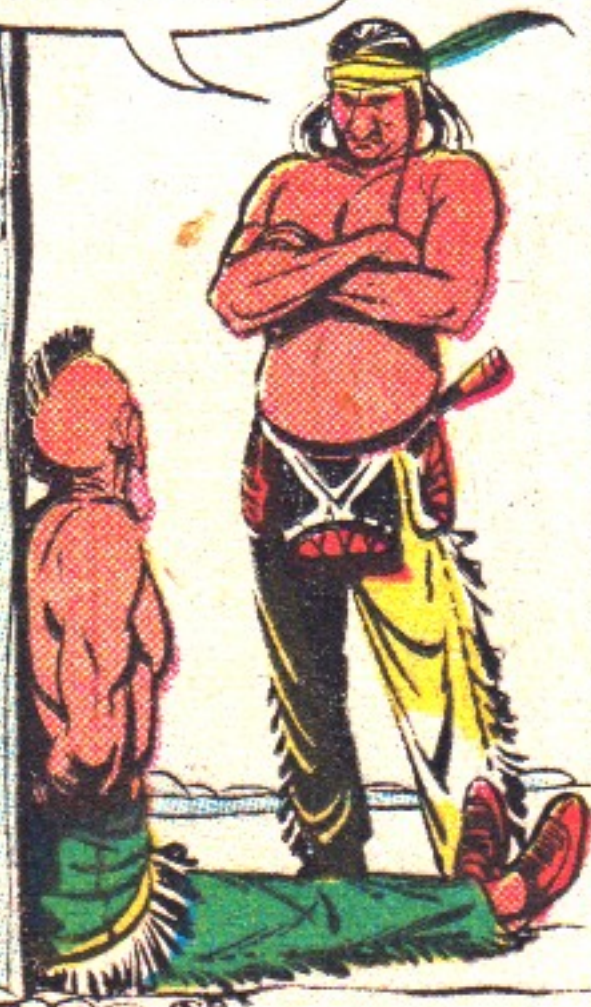
WITH THEIR BIG CAPTIVE, THE RENEGADES MAKE CAMP BEFORE A LARGE, COMMUNAL STONE HOUSE—



HU! I RECOGNIZE THAT BLANKET—IT BELONGED TO OLD CRYING DEER. AND THAT BOW AND ARROW! I'VE SEEN THEM A DOZEN TIMES. THEY USED TO BELONG TO LOPING WOLF. I ALWAYS WONDERED WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE TWO!



NOW YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED! WE ARE NAVAJO AND APACHE, OSAGE AND ARAPAHO—RENEGADES FROM EVERY TRIBE, BANDED TOGETHER TO RAID AND ROB!



TO MAKE SURE YOUR FRIENDS STAY AWAY FROM OUR HIDEOUT, WE'RE GOING TO MAKE AN EXAMPLE OF YOU COME THE DAWN!



HIGH ABOVE THE CAMP IS RED HAWK, ON A PROJECTING LEDGE—

BIGFOOT IS DOWN BELOW. I'VE GOT TO GET TO HIM AND SAVE HIM—SOMEHOW!



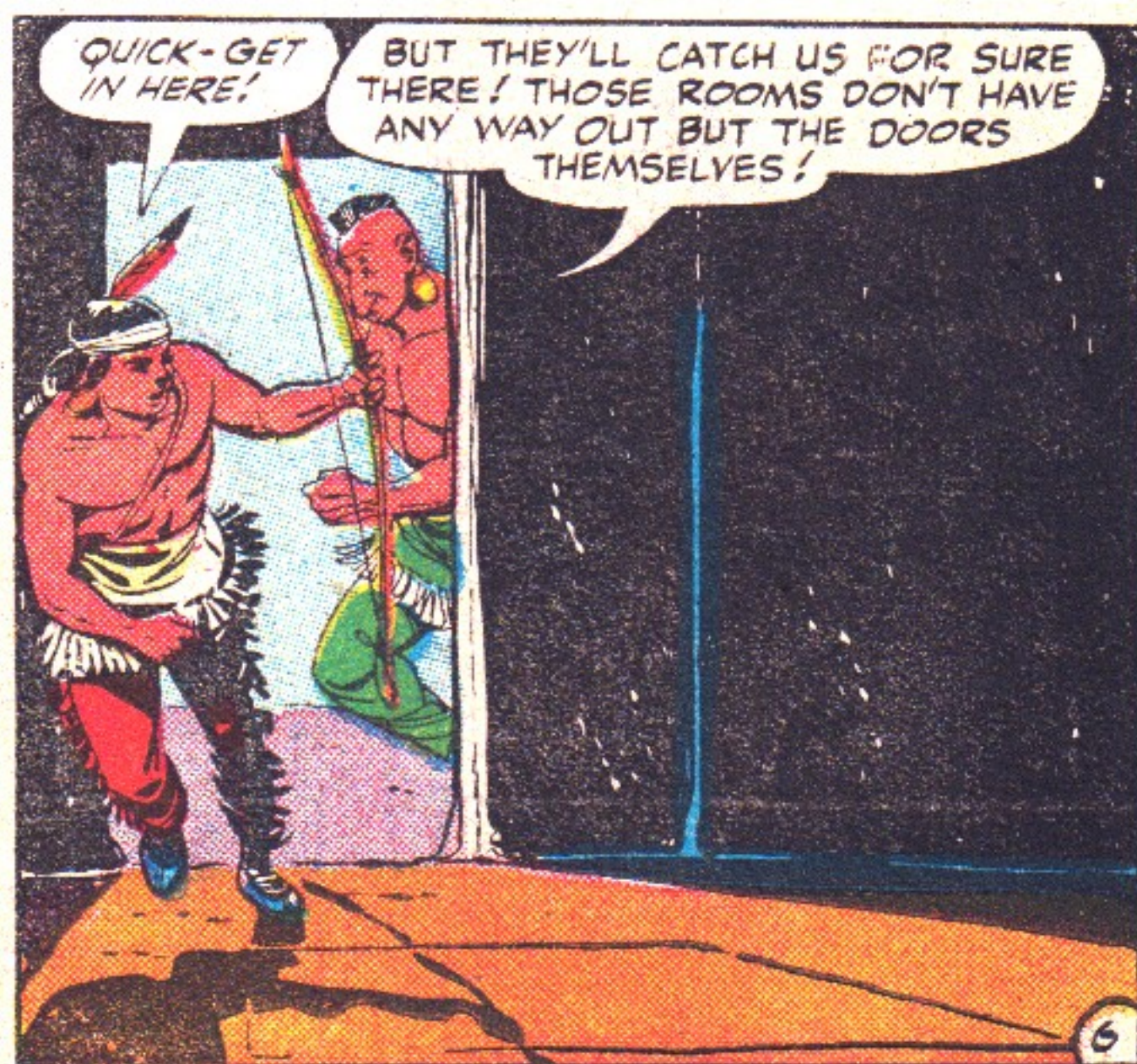
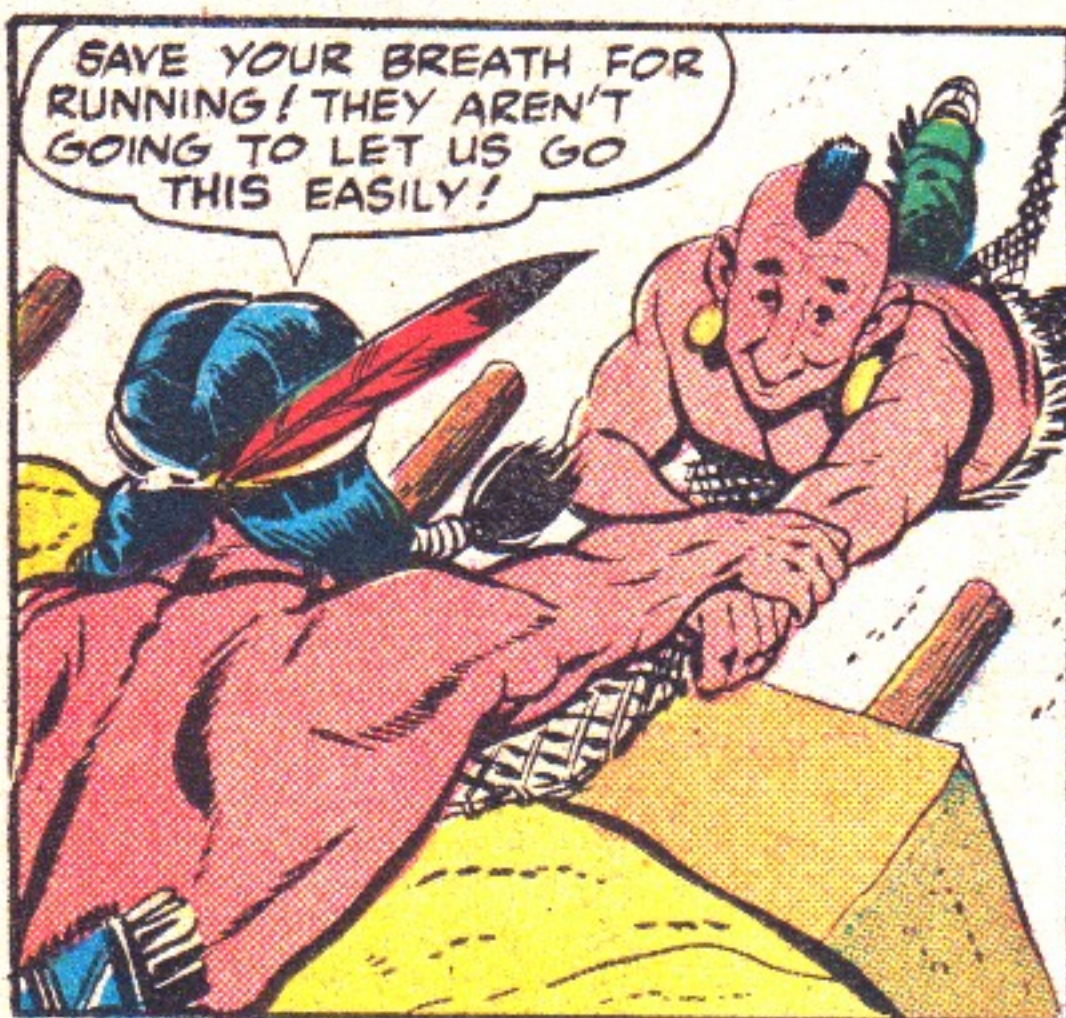
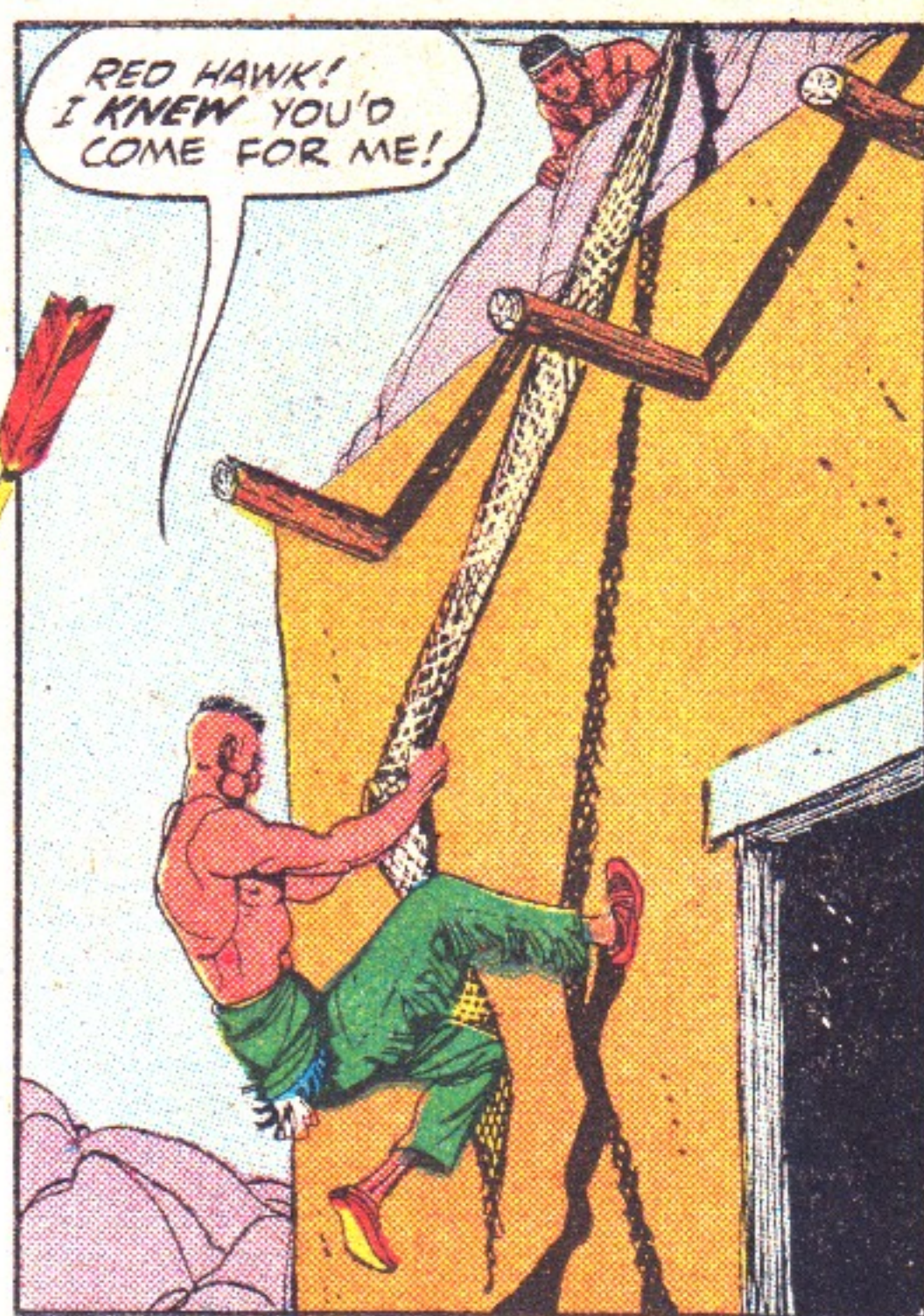
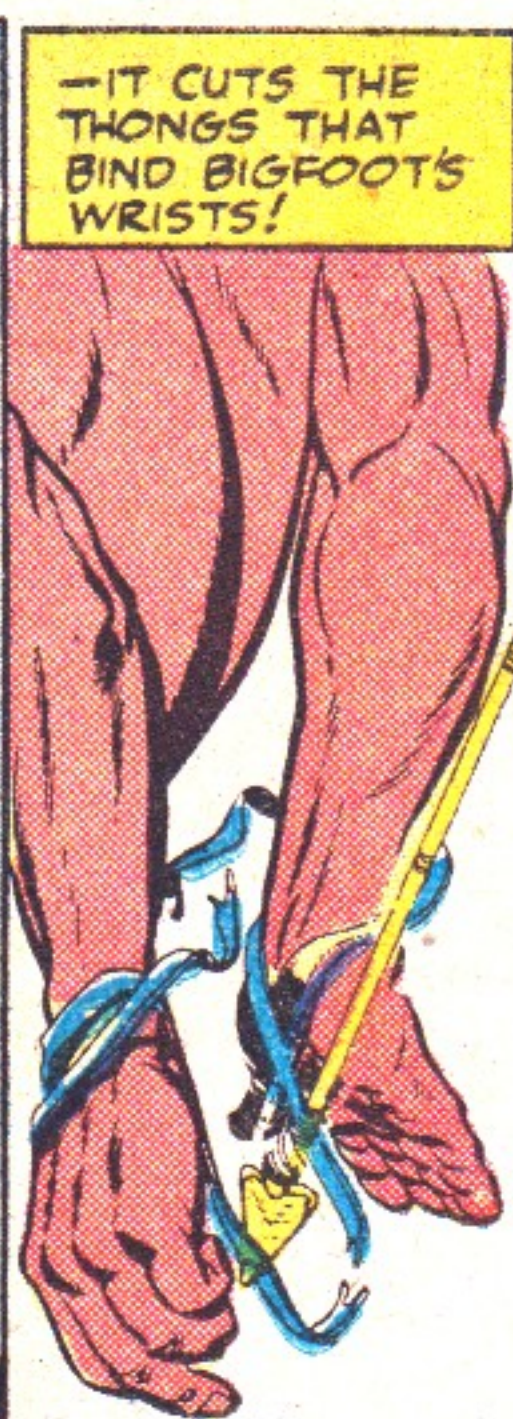
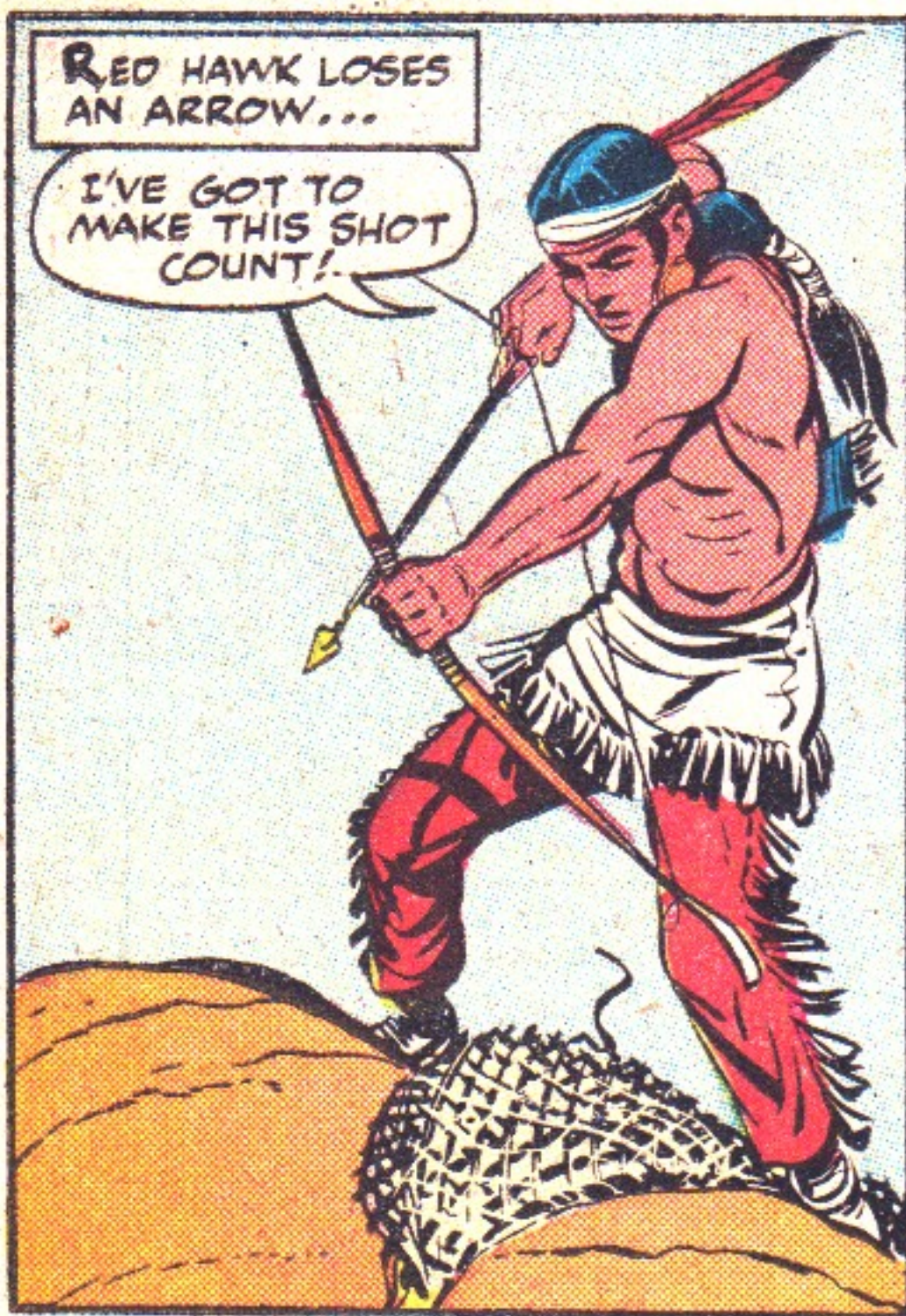
THE OLD CLIFF-DWELLERS USED TO MAKE PILES OF ROCKS TO DEFEND THEMSELVES AGAINST—BUT THERE'S NO REASON WHY I CAN'T USE THEM!

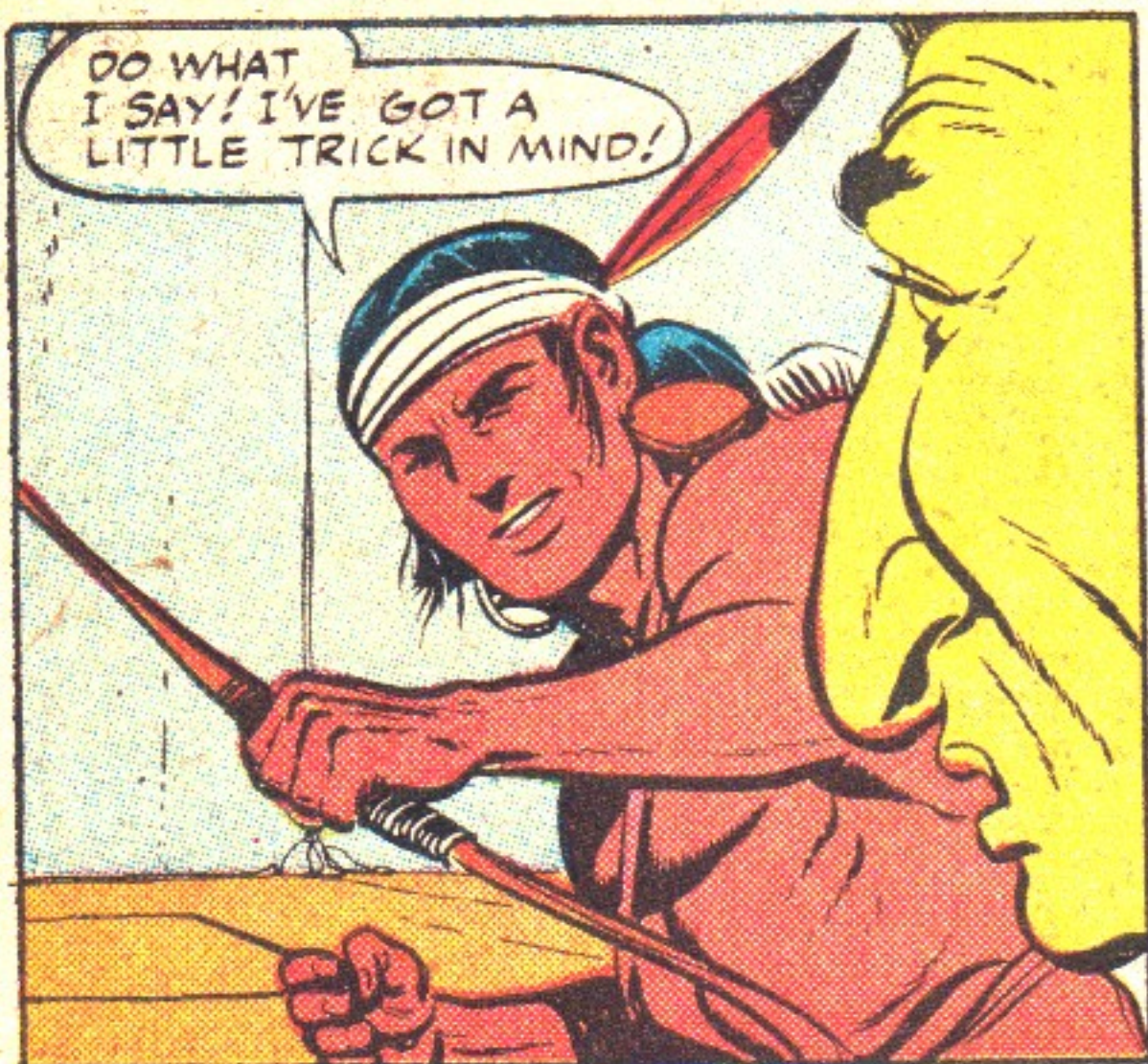


HAI—A LANDSLIDE!

RUN FOR COVER!





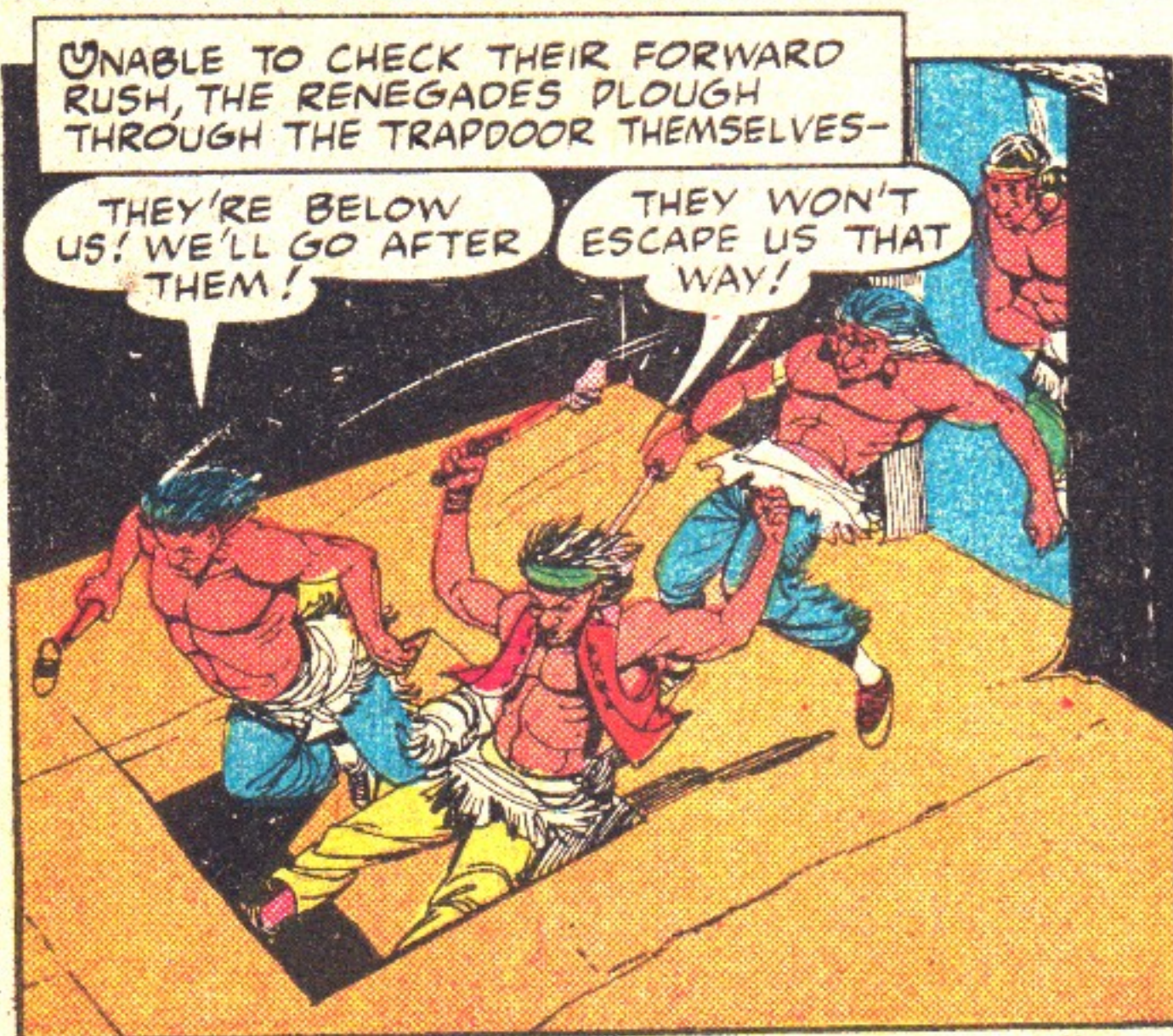


DO WHAT I SAY! I'VE GOT A LITTLE TRICK IN MIND!



NOW WHEN THEY FOLLOW US—WE'LL BE WAITING FOR THEM!

THE TRAPDOOR!

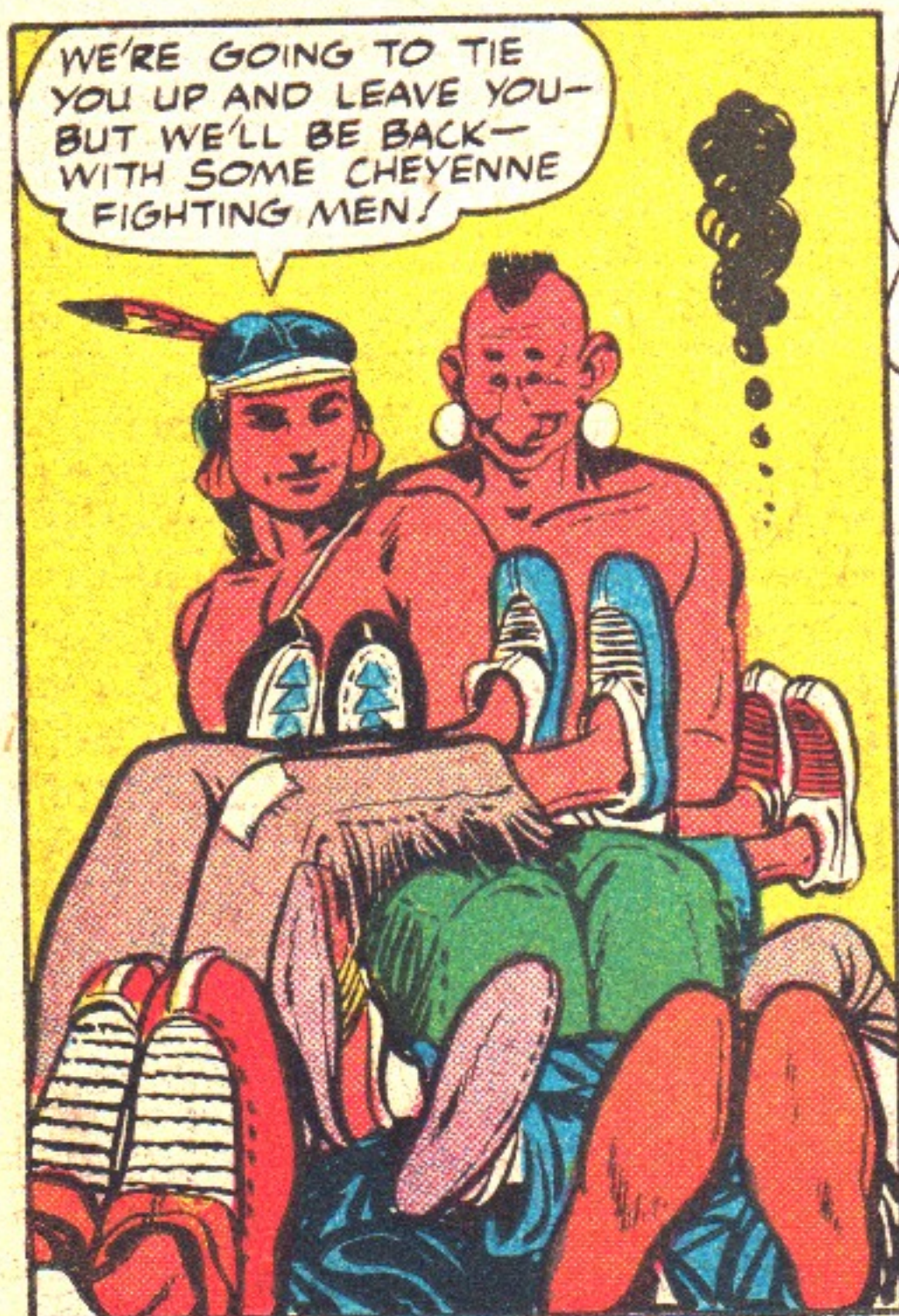
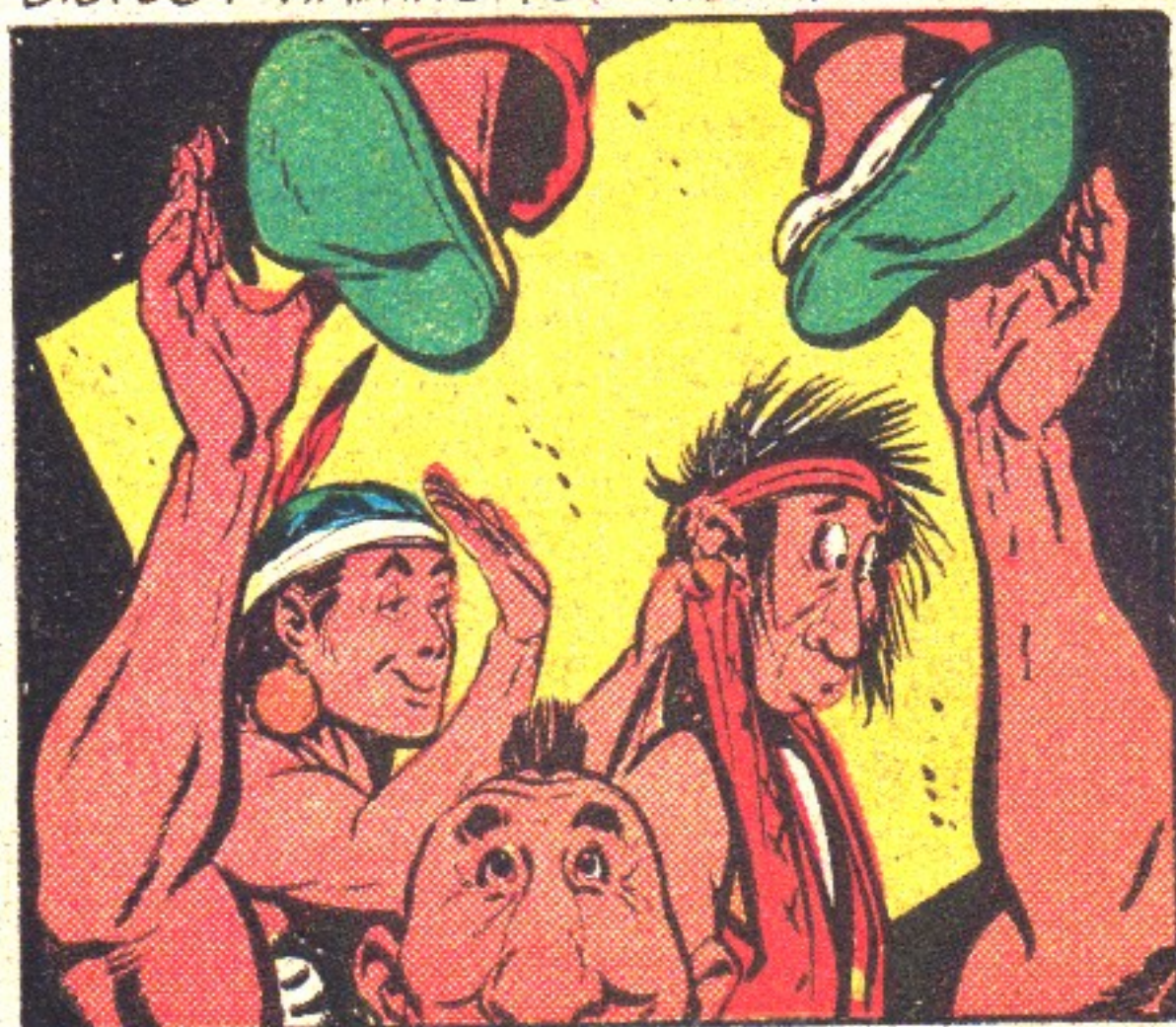


UNABLE TO CHECK THEIR FORWARD RUSH, THE RENEGADES PLOUGH THROUGH THE TRAPDOOR THEMSELVES—

THEY'RE BELOW US! WE'LL GO AFTER THEM!

THEY WON'T ESCAPE US THAT WAY!

ONE BY ONE, THEY FIND RED HAWK AND BIGFOOT WAITING FOR THEM!



WE'RE GOING TO TIE YOU UP AND LEAVE YOU— BUT WE'LL BE BACK— WITH SOME CHEYENNE FIGHTING MEN!



THE ONLY "EVIL SPIRITS" AROUND HERE ARE YOUR OWN! AND WE CHEYENNES WILL TAKE CARE OF THEM! THE HUNTING TRAILS WILL BE FREE OF YOUR KIND FOREVER!



AND SO ONE MORE HUNTING TRIP BECOMES HISTORY! BUT IN THE EXCITING LIFE OF THE INDIANS— WHO KNOWS WHAT EVEN STRANGER ADVENTURE AWAITS OUR HEROES— NEXT TIME?

SMOKE SIGNALS

Boys and girls, here is the second appearance of your Smoke Signals! This is the Indian trail along which we travel together—learning where the Indian hunted and fought, how he lived and died, and the customs and beliefs he observed in daily life. Slip on your moccasins, string your bow, and let's begin tracking down information!

INDIAN PIPES Every schoolboy knows that the Indian was the first to grow and smoke tobacco. It was from the redman that the first Europeans learned the habit. Do you remember the story of how Sir Walter Raleigh, when he smoked a pipe in London, so startled a servant, who thought he was on fire, that the servant immediately doused him with water?

Well, every Indian tribe had its own type of pipe. The woodlands Indians used long straight pipes, but the Plains Indians used a more conventional form of pipe, with the bowl attached to the straight shaft. These wooden pipes were often beautifully carved and painted. Some were hung with wampum, beads, or rawhide pieces worked with dyed porcupine quills.

The peace pipe has come down to us in an everyday saying. The Indians called it the *calumet*. It was their custom, when negotiating a truce or treaty after a war, or to prevent a war from breaking out, to sit about in a circle and smoke this peace pipe. They drew in slowly, and puffed the smoke out to the north, south, east and west, to the sky and at the ground, to propitiate all the spirits and call them to sit in witness to the impending talks.

Aside from such a ceremonial use, however, the Indian used his tobacco pipe just as men today use their pipes, for personal pleasure.

OSCEOLA Osceola was a great Indian chief of the Seminole tribe whose fame is little known today, except in Florida, where he made his great stand against the United States army—a war that lasted longer than any in our history. Born in 1804, his father was a white trader and his mother a Seminole princess. Osceola quickly came to power among his people. Known far and wide as a warrior, he soon showed great qualities of statecraft and battle strategy.

When his wife was captured and sold into slavery, Osceola turned bitterly against all whites, so that when the government ordered the transfer of the Seminoles from Florida to west of the Mississippi, he refused to go. The war itself was fought in the swamps and Everglades country of Florida, lasting for nine years, and ended only when Osceola was captured while he carried a truce flag. With his capture, and subsequent death in prison, the Seminole War came to an end.

INDIAN MUSIC Most people do not realize that the Indians were a musical people. We know, of course, about some of their dances, and their drums and rattles, but these are only two types of instruments. Actually, they used flutes and whistles, and one tribe of Indians even invented a sort of crude violin!

To give them the rhythm for their many feast dances such as the False Face Dancing, the Great Feather Dance, a great number of War Dances—in all, the Iroquois had over *thirty* different types of dances!—the Five Nations used several types of drums, a large number of gaily decorated rattles, and flutes.

Their drums were fashioned of wood and hide stretched tightly over one or both openings. The smaller hand-drum could be carried from spot to spot by a thong looped around the neck of the drummer. The larger two-handed drum was placed on the ground and played by several drummers at once as they sat around it. Also used was a water drum, a drum partially filled with water and then sealed by tight animal skin.

Indian rattles were made from bark, rawhide, or wood, depending on which tribe made them. They were partially filled with pebbles or bits of wood so that when shaken, they gave off a rhythmic sound. Painted in bright colors, they were

important features of the music-making of every tribe. Small rattles were also worn by the dancers themselves. These rattles could be made of turtle shells, and were banded at knees and arms so that as they danced, the Indians also made music for themselves.

Cane, wood and clay flutes were made, some of which were elaborately carved and hung with bright feathers.

Whistles were made of bone, reed and wood. Like the flutes, whistles were often used when Indian youths went courting the maidens.

Apaches invented a two-stringed violin, but this seems to be of late origin, so that it may have been copied from the white men.

COUP STICKS The Plains Indians carried long and gaily decorated sticks of wood that looked like lances without points. These were their coup sticks, a sort of Indian badge-sash, for it was on these coup sticks that the Indian warriors carried a record of their brave deeds. Certain types of feathers, and the manner in which they were cut or dyed, told a story of some act of heroism.

War was like a game to the Indians. If a warrior touched a living enemy with his hand, it counted two coups. If he touched him with a bow or coup stick, three coups, and for running his lance into an enemy, he earned four coups! They were very zealous in gathering these coups. Just as a modern-day aviator becomes an ace by bagging so many enemy planes, so the Indian warrior also became an "ace" by accumulating four or more coups. And it was on the coup stick that each warrior kept his record of such deeds—much as ace aviators have the silhouettes of enemy planes they have shot down stenciled on the fuselages of their planes.

Wrapped with rawhide and painted in red and black, with the coup feathers fluttering from both ends and along the shaft, these coup sticks added to the color of the Plains Indian. As he galloped along to a powwow, his feathered headdress and feathered coup stick fluttering in the wind, he was a regal figure.

Similar to the coup stick in appearance was the ceremonial lance, which was used from time to time in certain ceremonies.

The eagle staff was a long stick that held a rawhide sheath to which was sewn a great number of dyed and tufted feathers. Great chiefs carried these as symbols of their office.

INDIAN TRAILS One of the most famous of the Indian trails—and one which we still use today (though now it is a smoothly paved road) is the Mohawk Trail, which runs from middle New York around the old Iroquois village of Conajoharie, eastward into New England. By this path went the Five Nations' warriors when they wore the red and black streaks of war paint.

Lesser known today, but very famous during the time of the American Revolution and before it, in colonial times, was the Kittanning Path, that went from Philadelphia to Ohio, passing by what is now the City of Pittsburgh. The second great trail used by the Five Nations was the Great Iroquois Trail, which went westward from Conajoharie to Niagara Falls. It was along this path that runners carried news of war or peace to the member nations of the Confederacy.

Nemacolin's Path went from the Valley of the Potomac to Fort Duquesne.

The Warriors Path crisscrossed parts of what is now Virginia, Ohio, North and South Carolina, West Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Pennsylvania. It was probably the largest and longest trail of all, and even its branch trails such as the War Trail of the Nations, which later became the Wilderness Road, grew to lasting fame. This great pathway moved through the lands of the Cherokee, Miami, Shawnee, Huron, Delaware, Creek, and Seneca. Before the coming of the white man, bands of warring Indians went north and south, east and west across its narrow, hard-packed dirt.

The Lake Shore Trail ran between Fort Detroit and Presque Isle. The Scioto War Trail joined the lands of Shawnee and Cherokee. It was over this trail that war parties descended into Kentucky on scalping forays, during the American Revolution, when British gold bought American scalps. Men like Daniel Boone and Simon Kenton traveled this narrow pathway many times.

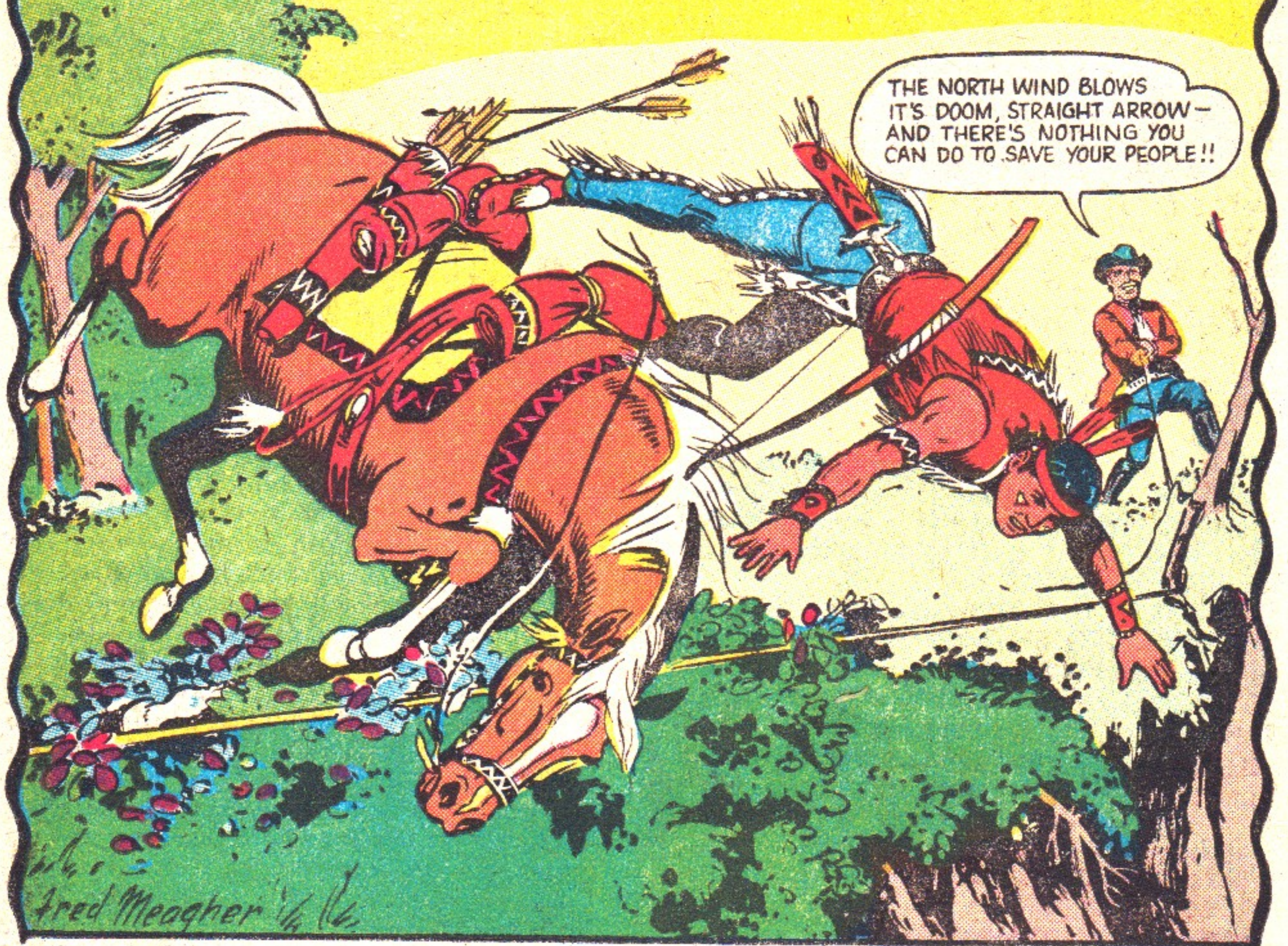
Further west, along the Great Plains, where everything lay open under the sky, there was little need for trails. Here where the grasses rippled gently under a pleasant wind, all the land lay open for hundreds of miles on all sides.

Only in the north, between Montana and Canada, where there are mountains and wooded tracts of land, was there a need for a trail. Here we find the great Old North Trail. It was along this trail that the Blackfeet migrated in and out of the United States and Canada.

STRAIGHT ARROW

WHEN THE NORTH WIND HOWLS, WHEN THE *KISS-EN-OO-AY-TA* SHRIEKS DOWN FROM FROZEN CANADA ACROSS THE GREAT PLAINS, THEN TROUBLE WILL COME FOR ALL THE INDIANS WHO FEEL IT! THAT IS WHAT THE OLD COMANCHE LEGENDS SAY—AND WHEN A STRANGER COMES TO SAWTOOTH JUNCTION, AND YOUNG HOTBLOODS LIKE RED DOG AND FALLING LANCE TAKE TO THE WARPATH, **STRAIGHT ARROW** DISCOVERS FOR HIMSELF THE—

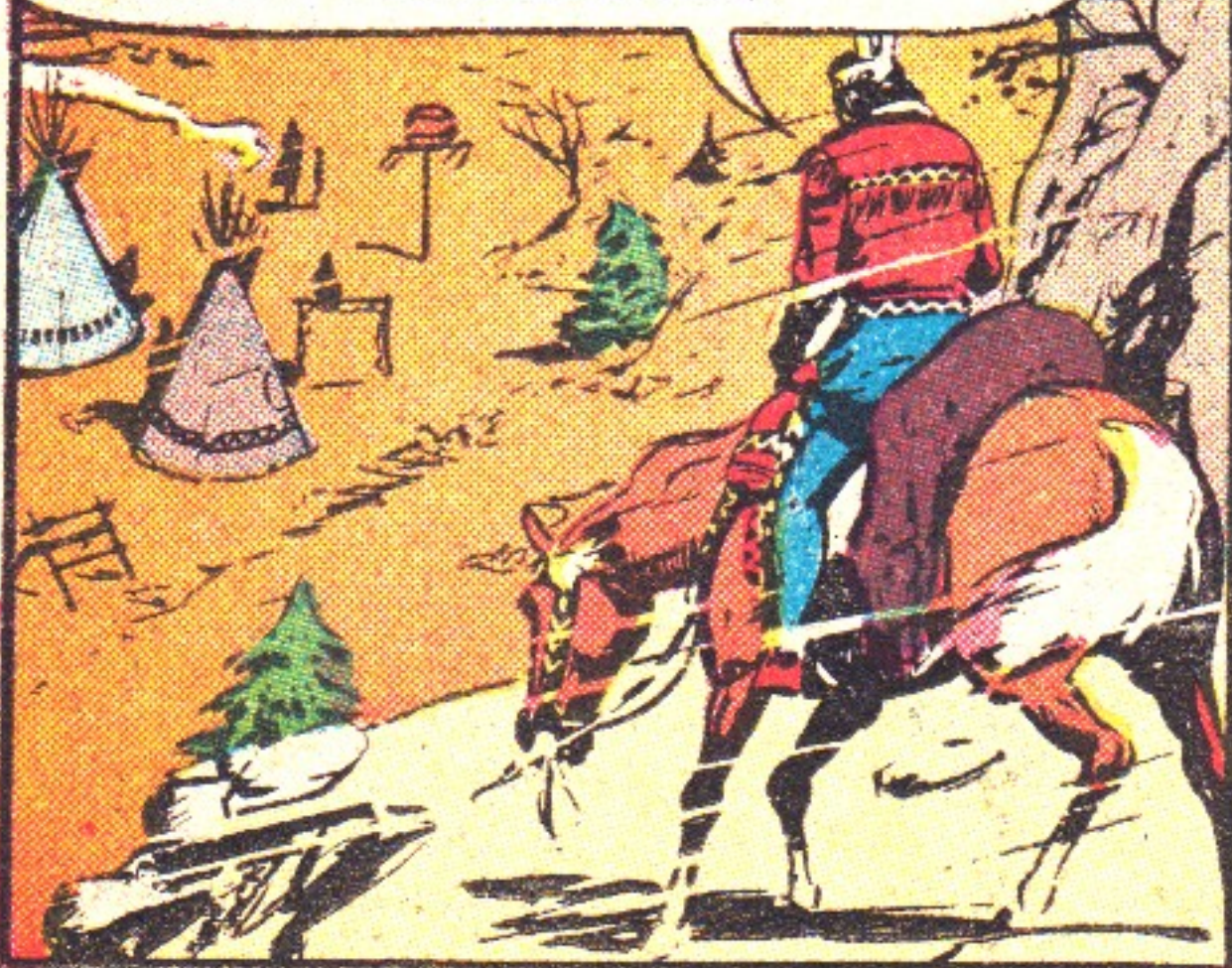
"DOOM OF THE NORTH WIND"



THE NORTH WIND BLOWS IT'S DOOM, STRAIGHT ARROW—AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO SAVE YOUR PEOPLE!!

TREES BEND LOW AND DUST WHORLS RISE AS THE COLD NORTH WIND RAGES, BRINGING FLUFFY SNOWFLAKES—

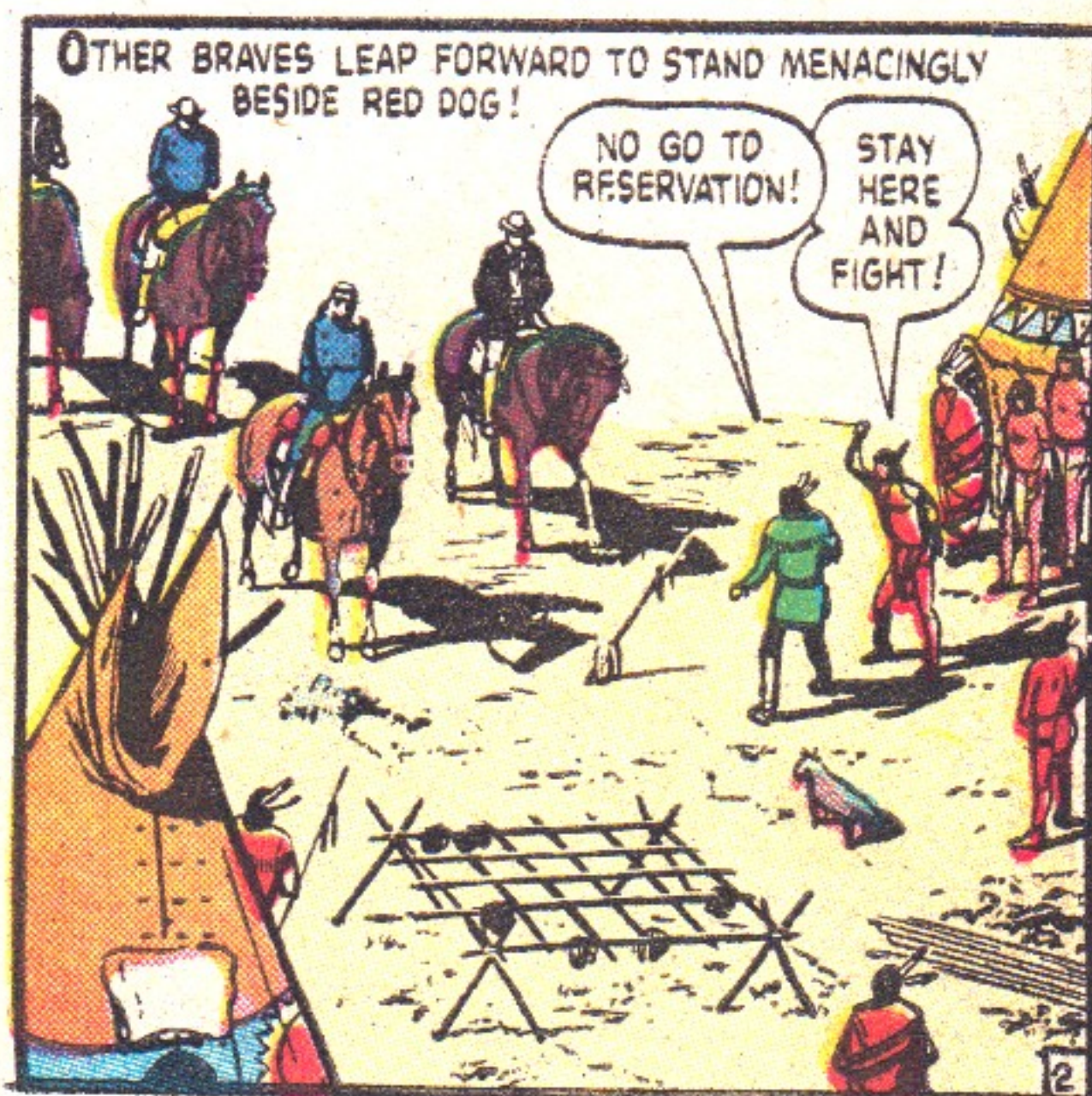
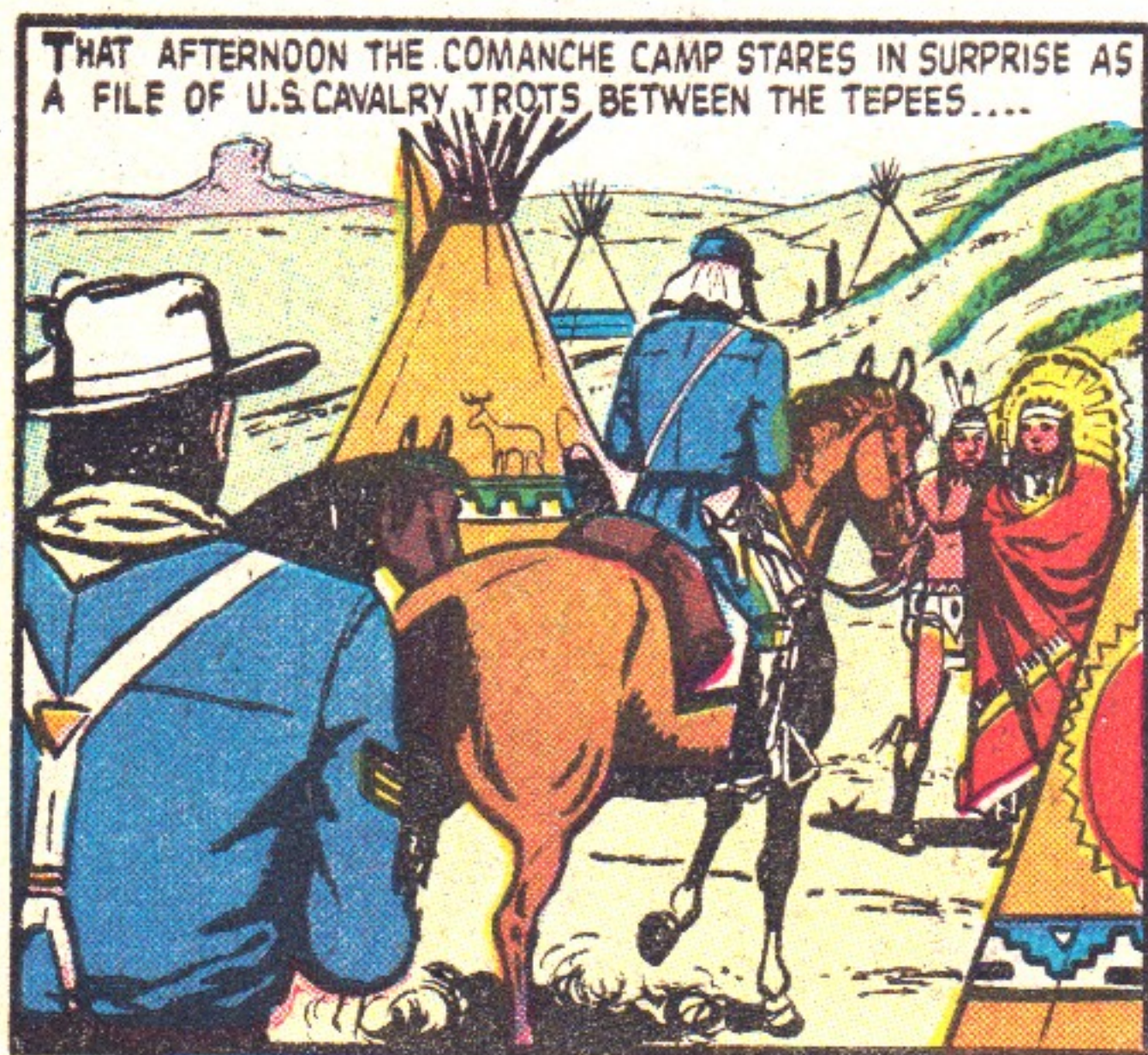
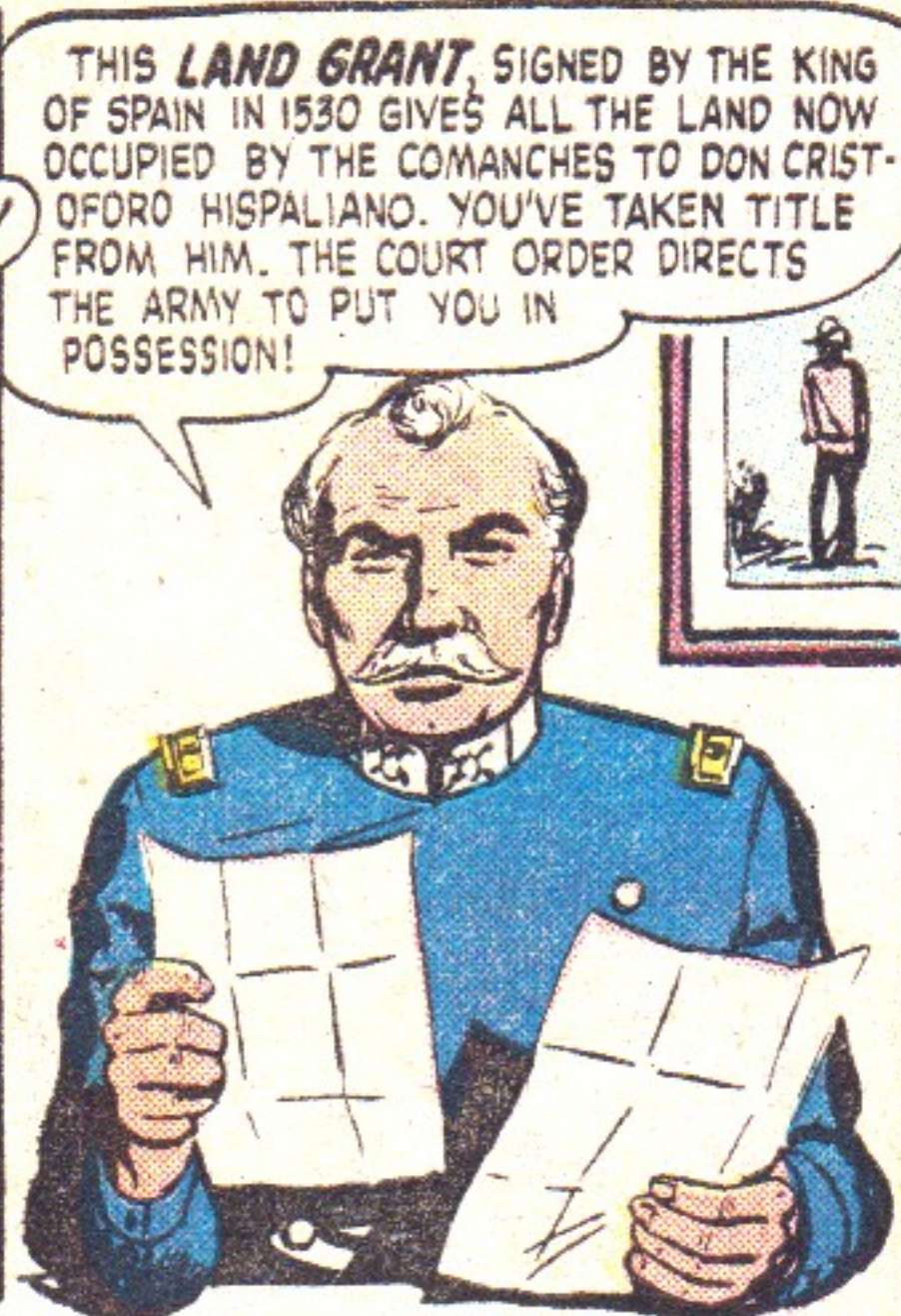
MY PEOPLE WILL SAY THAT BAD TROUBLE WILL COME TO THE TRIBE, NOW THAT THE *KISS-EN-OO-AY-TA* IS HERE, BUT THAT'S JUST **SUPERSTITION!**

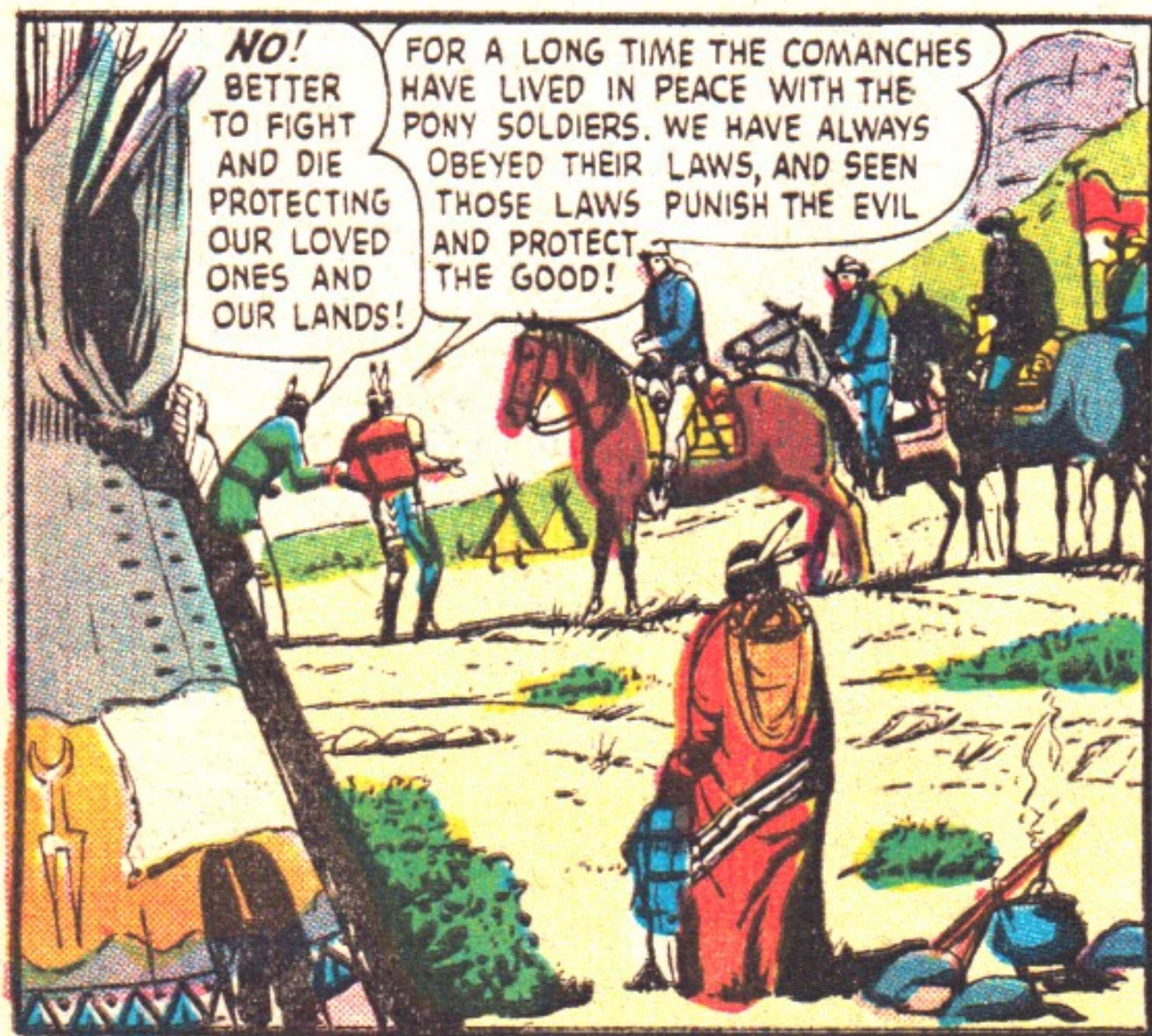
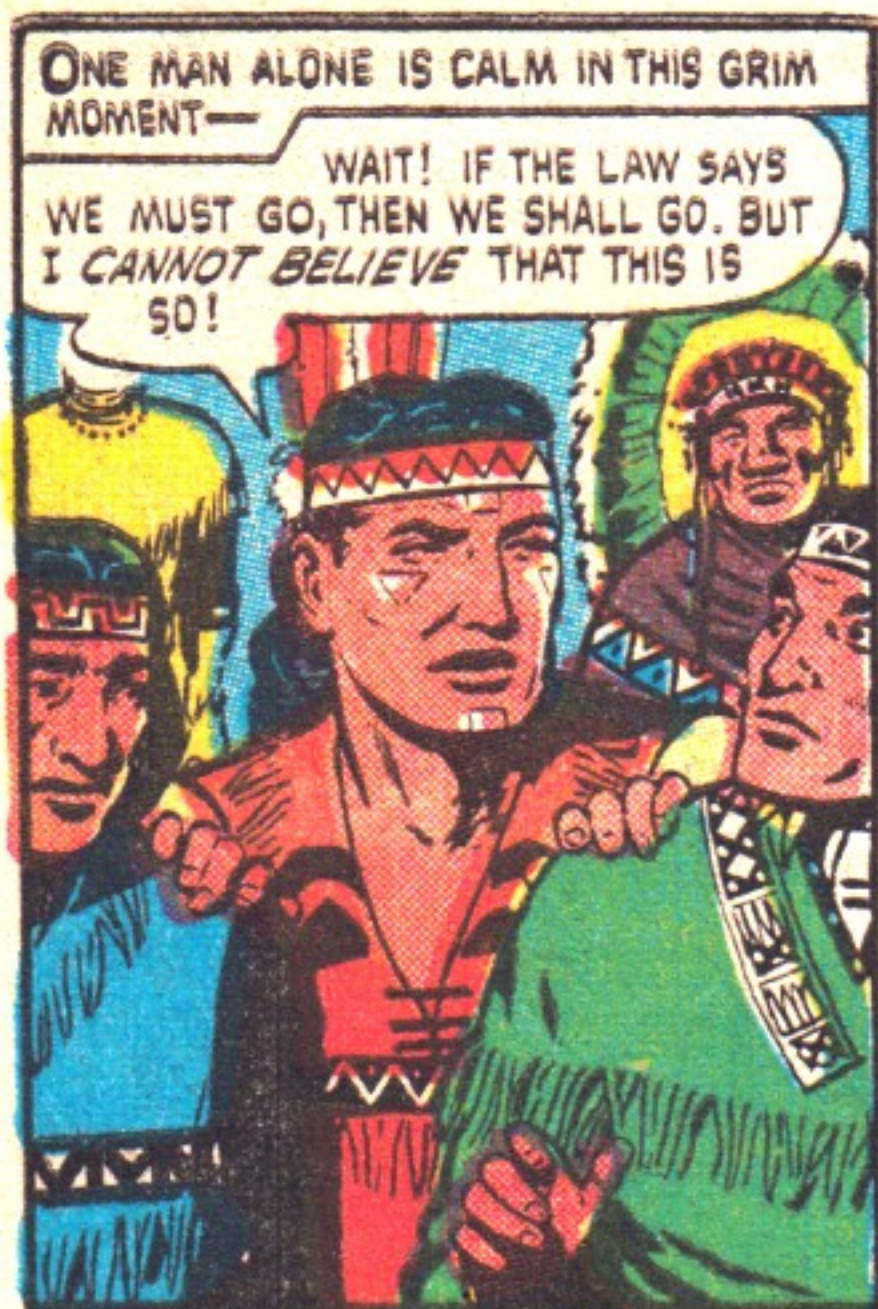


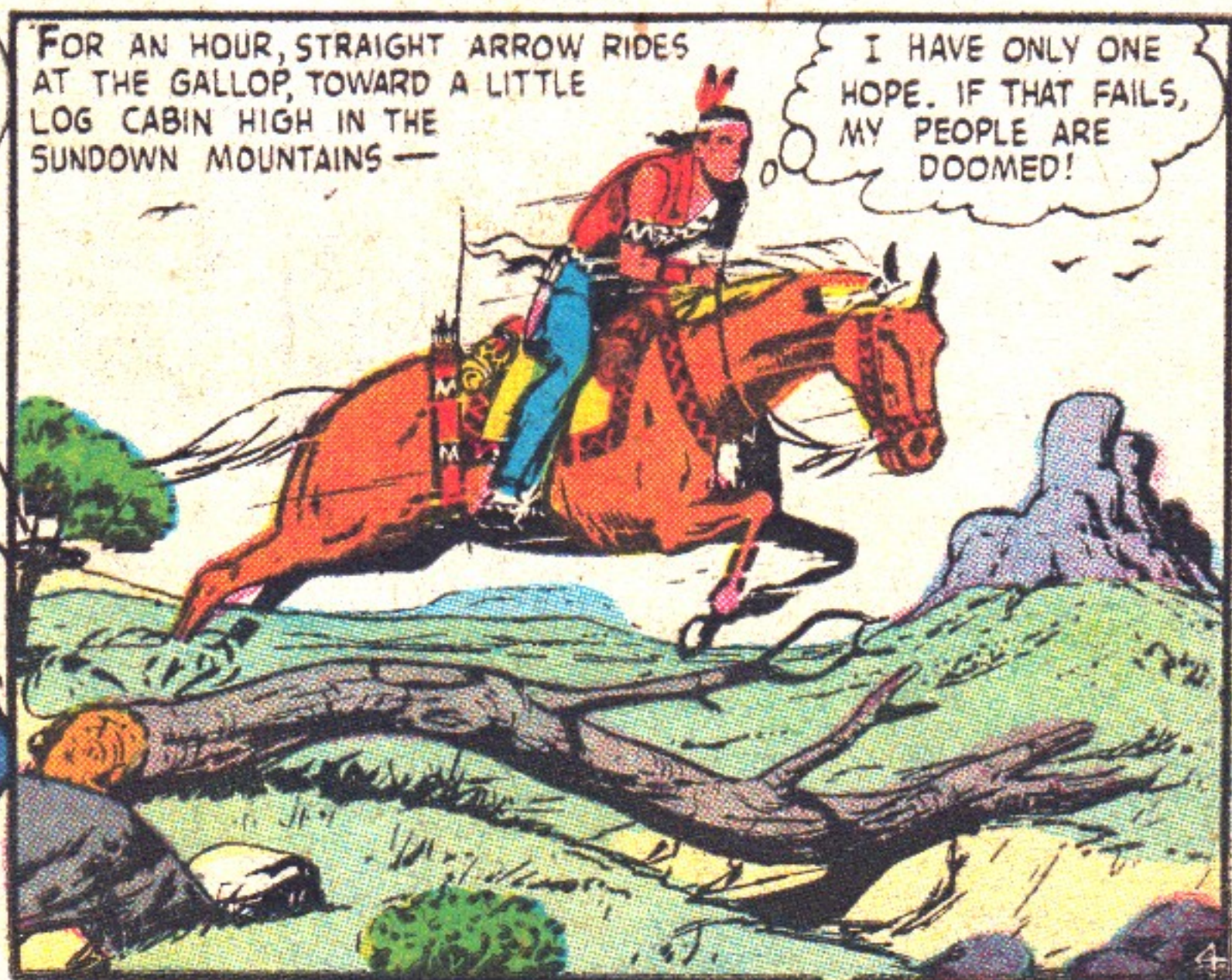
SUPERSTITION OR NOT, IN SAWTOOTH JUNCTION AT THAT VERY MOMENT—

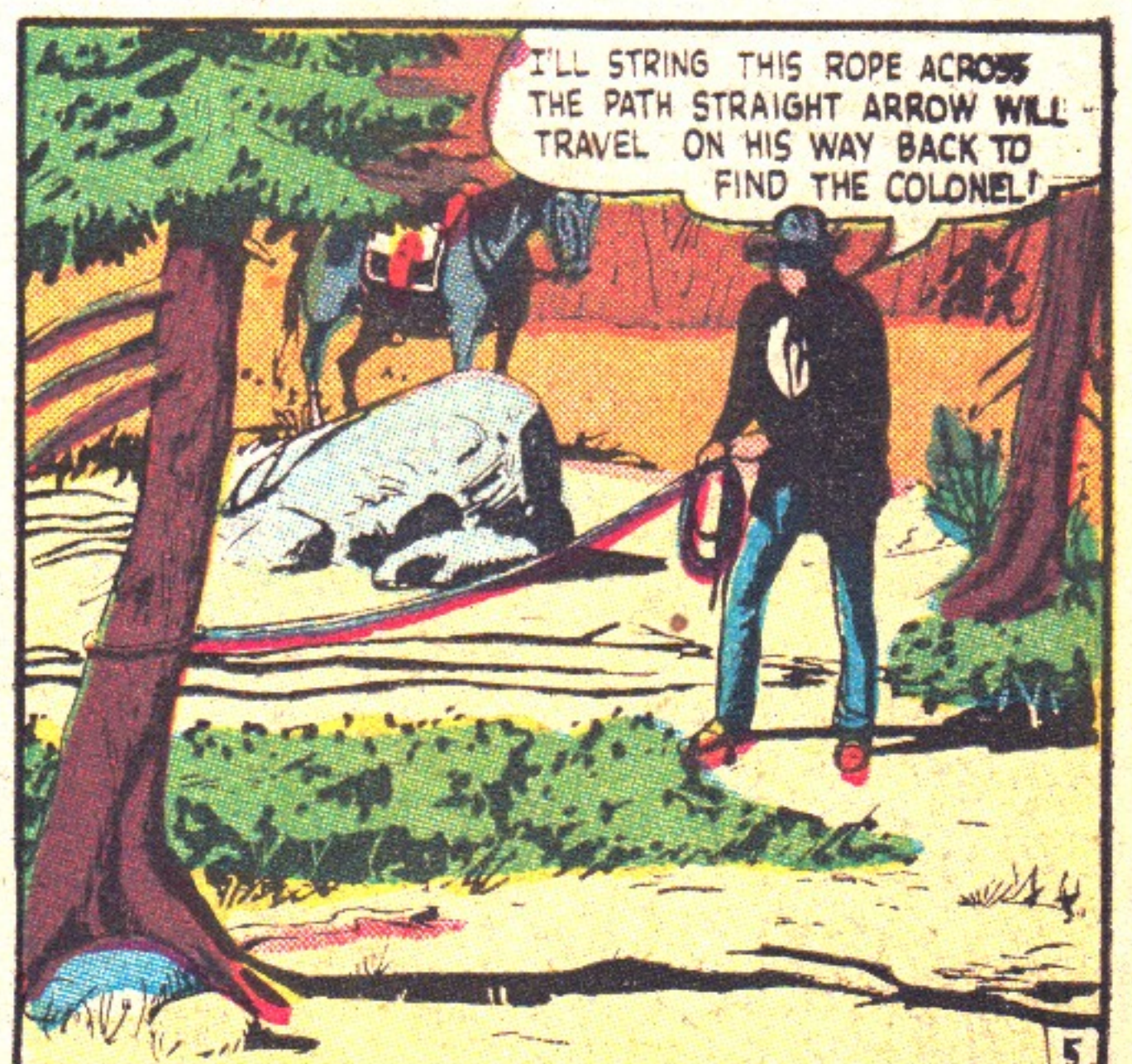
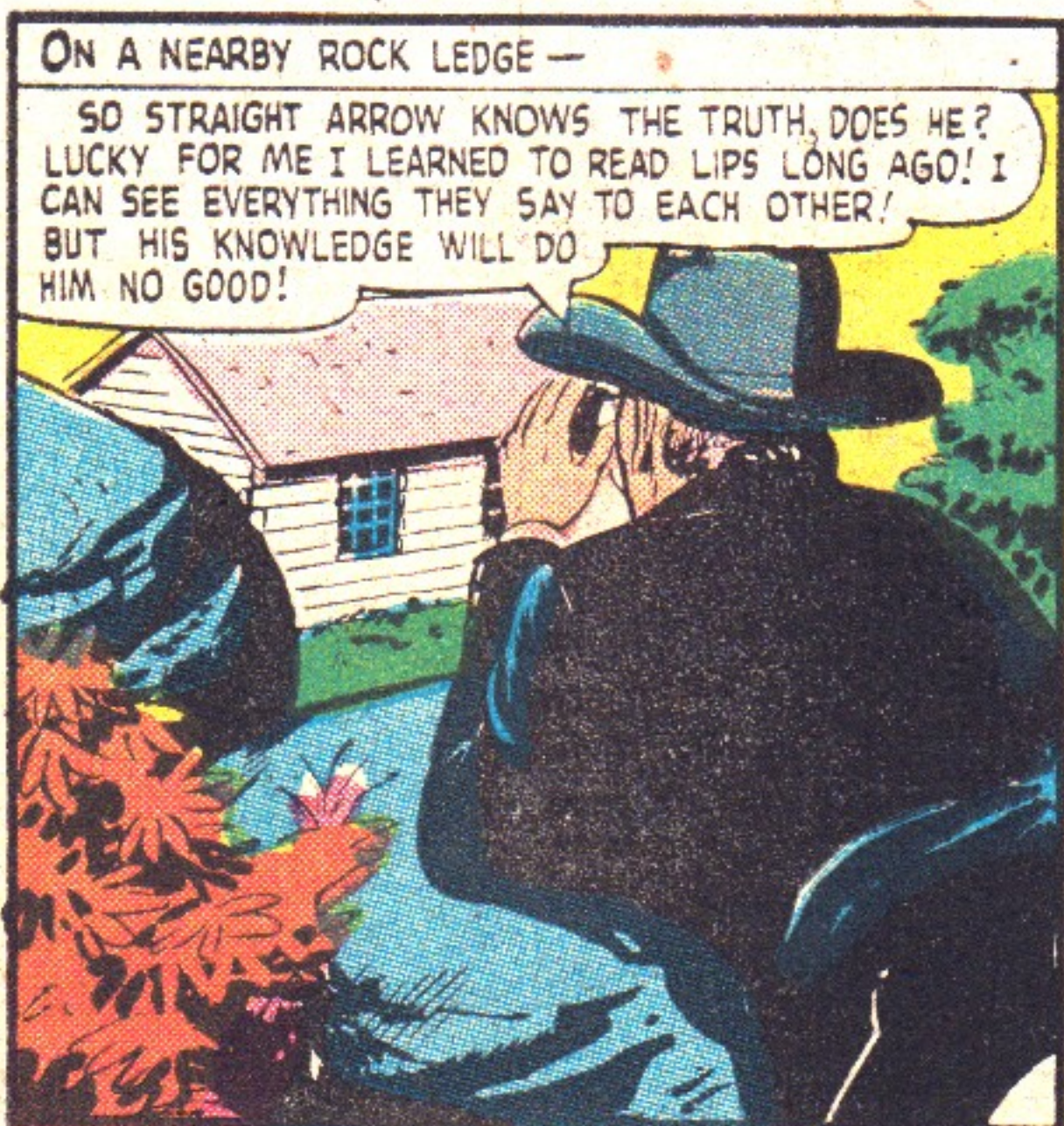
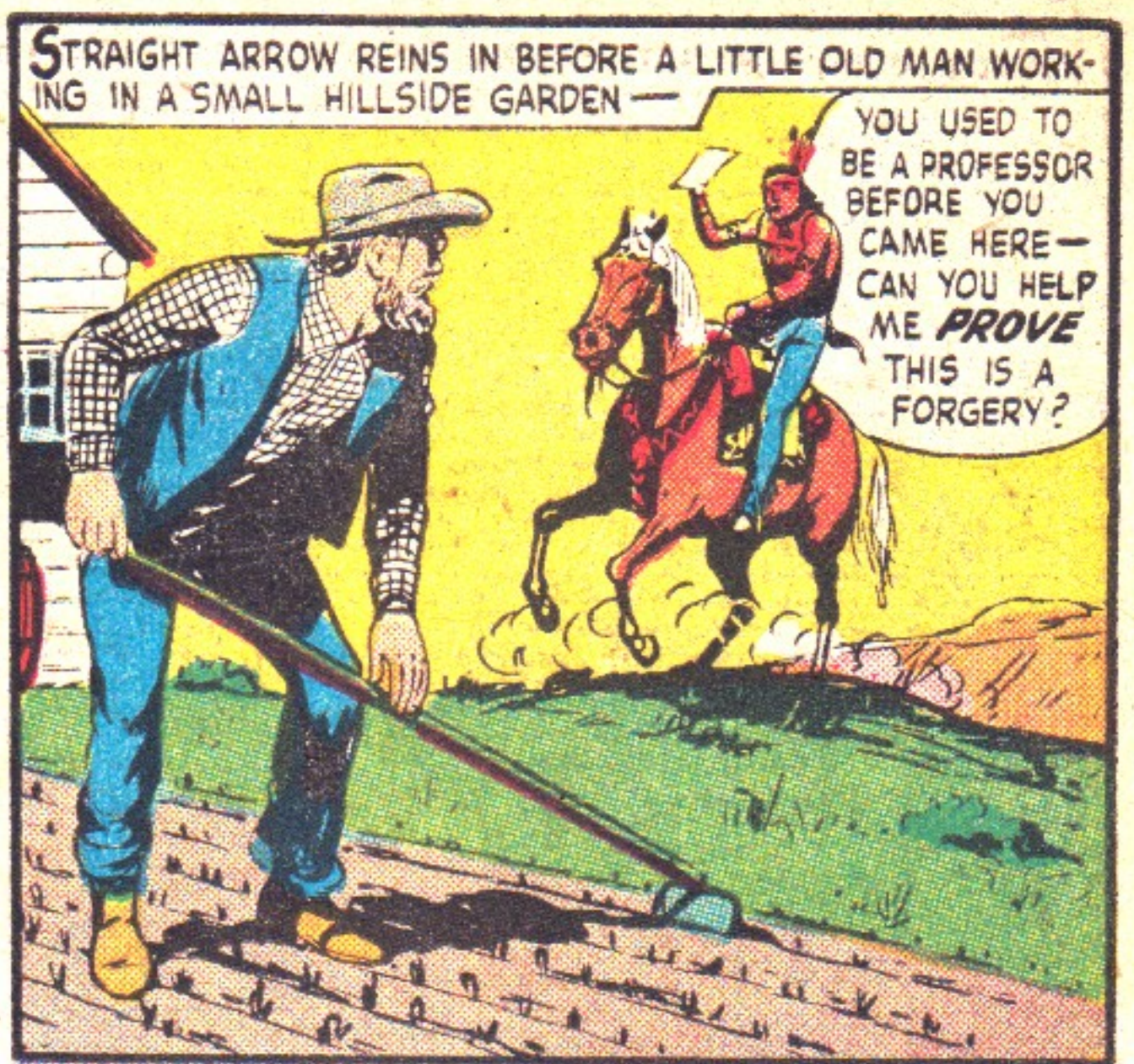
AFTER I SIGN UP AT A HOTEL ROOM, I'LL RIDE OUT TO FORT COBB. I GOT A COURT ORDER FOR THE COLONEL TO EXECUTE—REMOVING THE COMANCHES FROM THEIR HUNTING GROUNDS AND PUTTING THEM ON A RESERVATION!



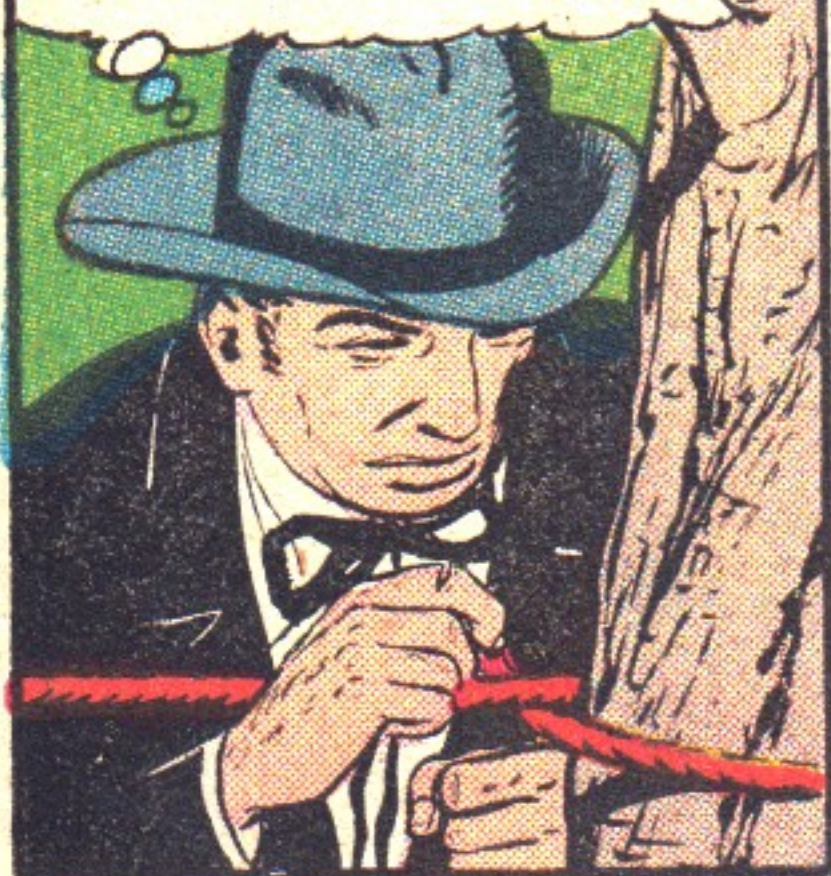








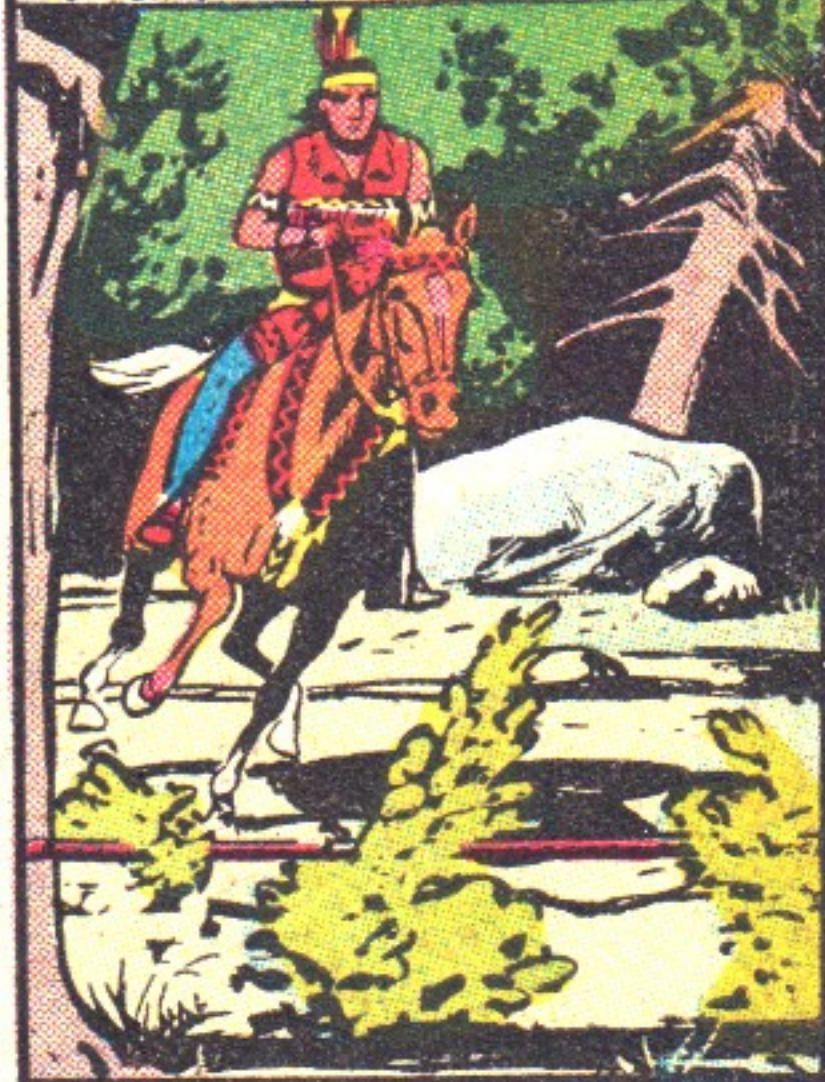
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS DELAY STRAIGHT ARROW! ONCE THE COMANCHES ARE **ON** THAT RESERVATION, THE ARMY WILL NEVER BRING THEM BACK. THE LAND WILL BE PUT UP FOR SALE — IF WORST COMES TO WORST AND I LOSE IT—I CAN ALWAYS BUY IT DIRT CHEAP AT THE PUBLIC SALE!



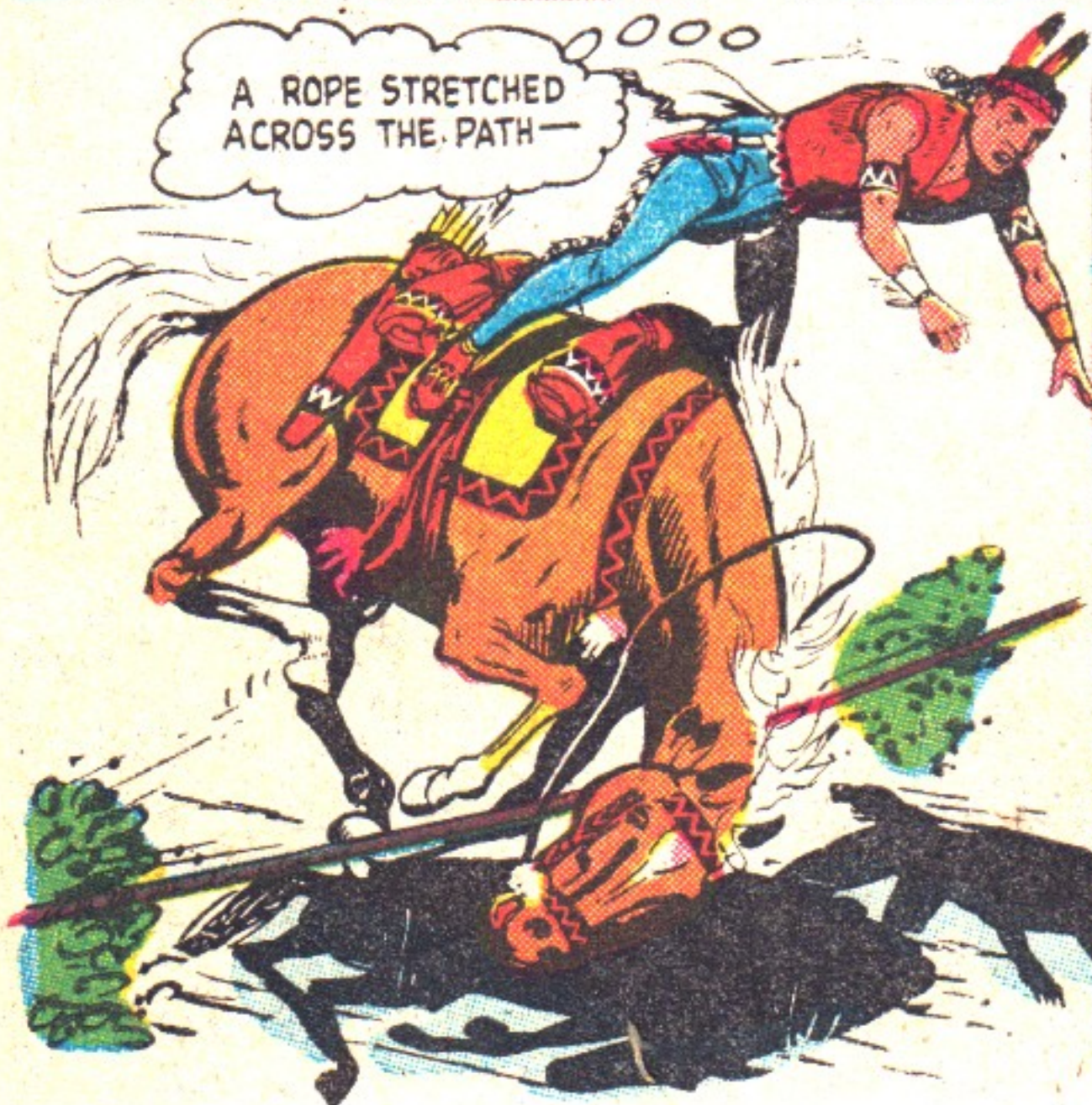
HERE COMES STRAIGHT ARROW NOW. HE'LL TAKE A TUMBLE OVER THE ROPE. I'LL GRAB HIS HORSE AND RUN OFF WITH IT, AND BY THE TIME HE FINDS THE COLONEL— HIS COMANCHES WILL BE SAFELY PUT AWAY ON RESERVATION GROUNDS!



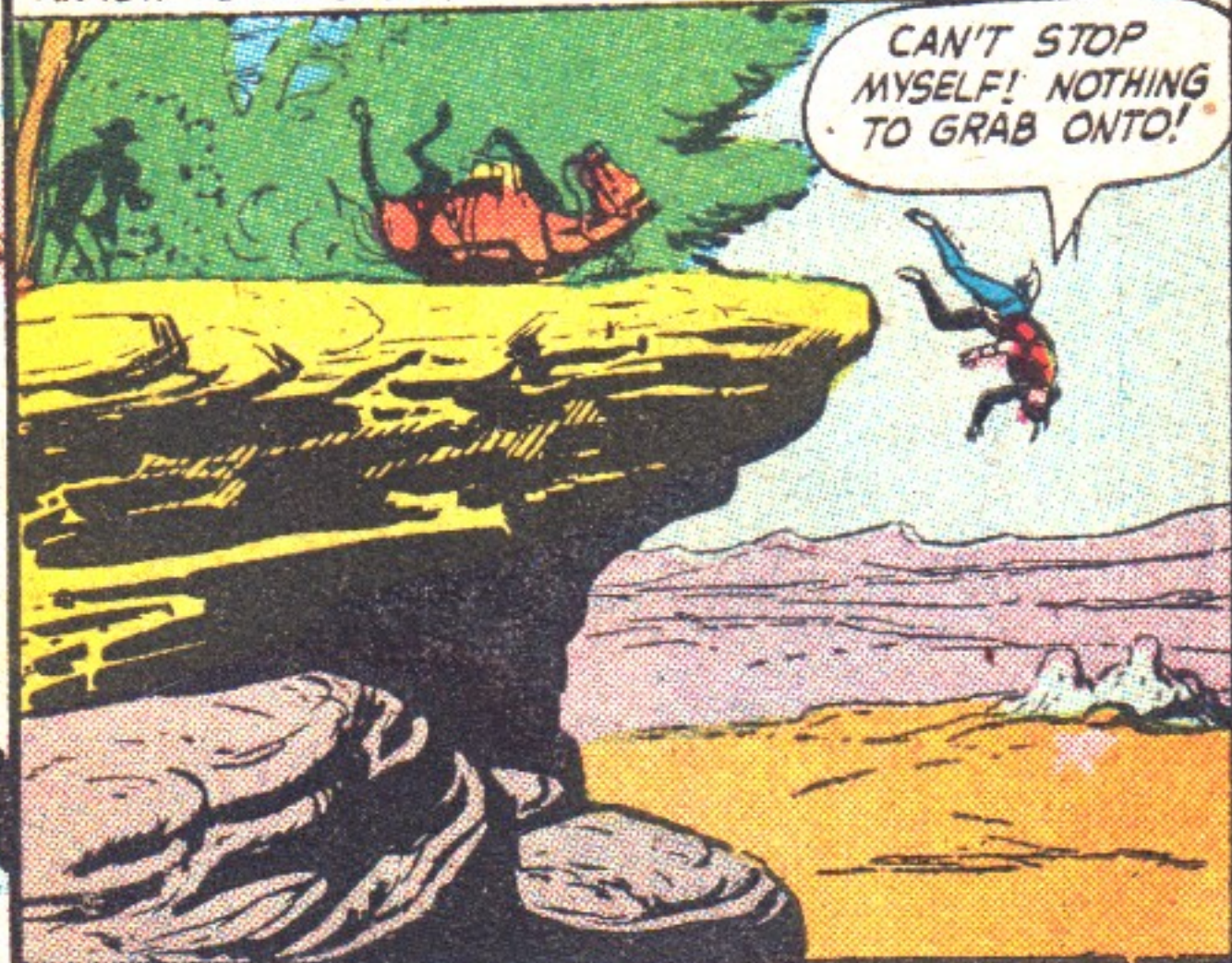
AT THE GALLOP, NOT SUSPECTING WHAT LIES AHEAD, THE GREAT COMANCHE WAR CHIEF COMES WITH THE SPEED OF THE HOWLING NORTH WIND—



A ROPE STRETCHED ACROSS THE PATH—



THE FORWARD MOMENTUM OF HIS FALL CARRIES STRAIGHT ARROW TO THE EDGE OF THE CLIFF— AND OVER...!



CAN'T STOP MYSELF! NOTHING TO GRAB ONTO!

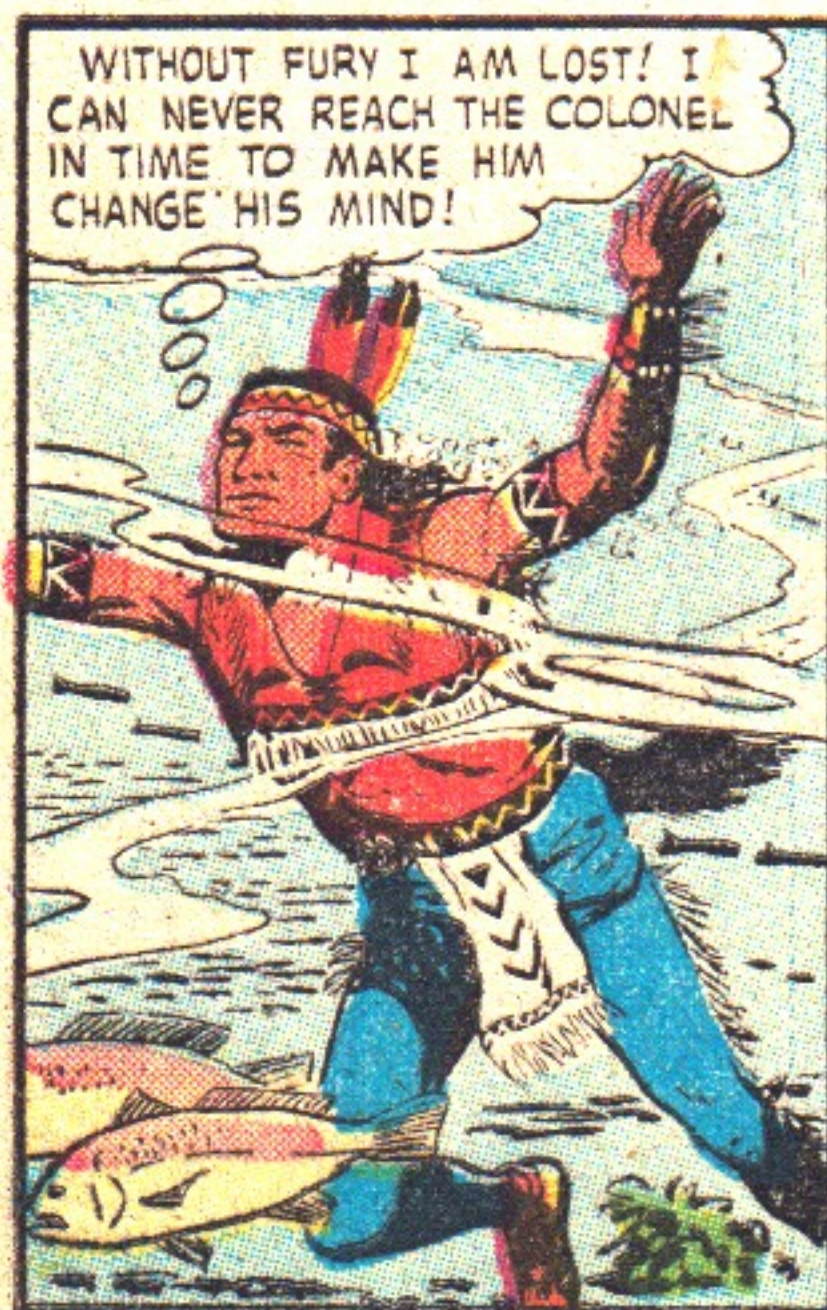
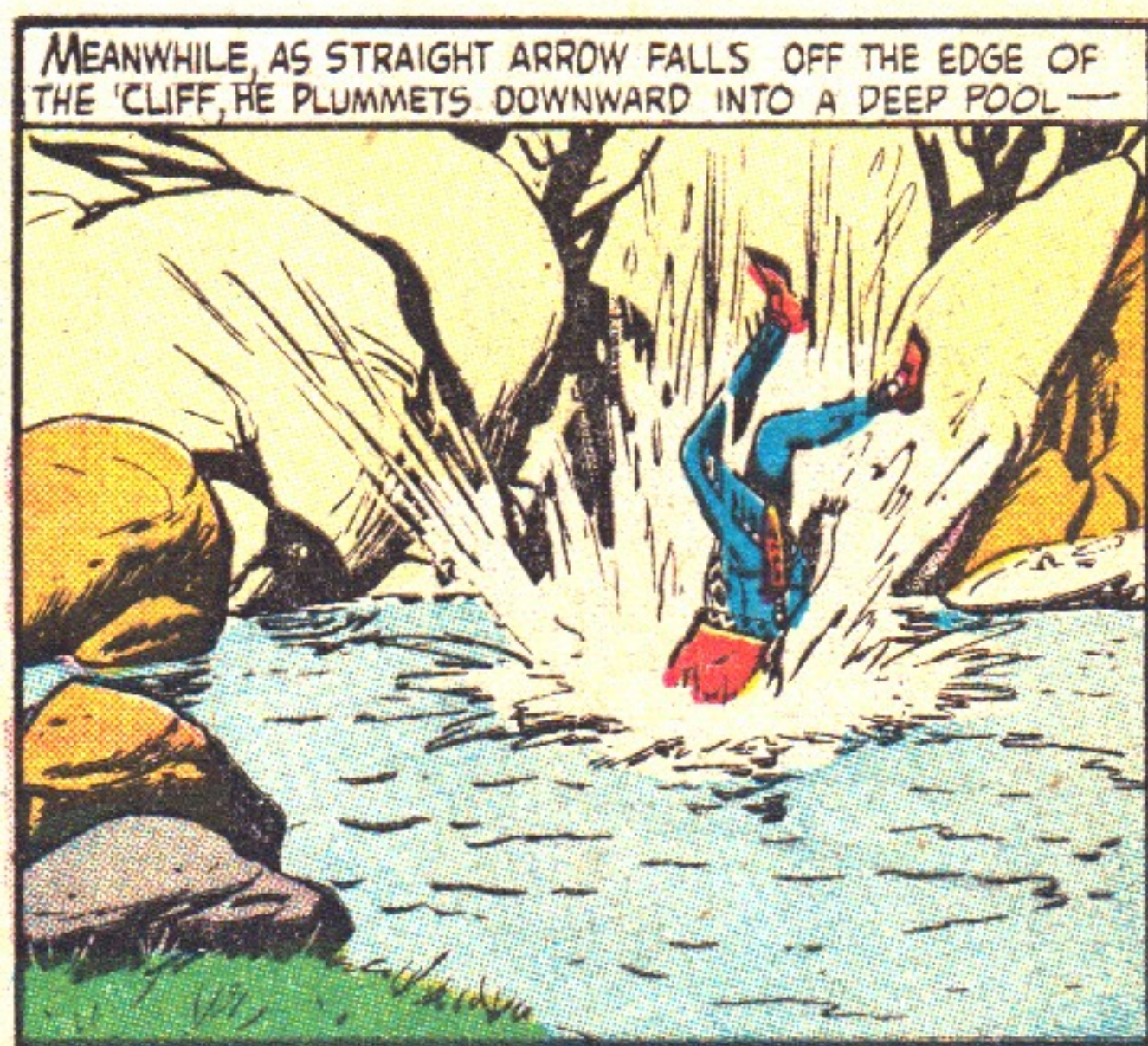
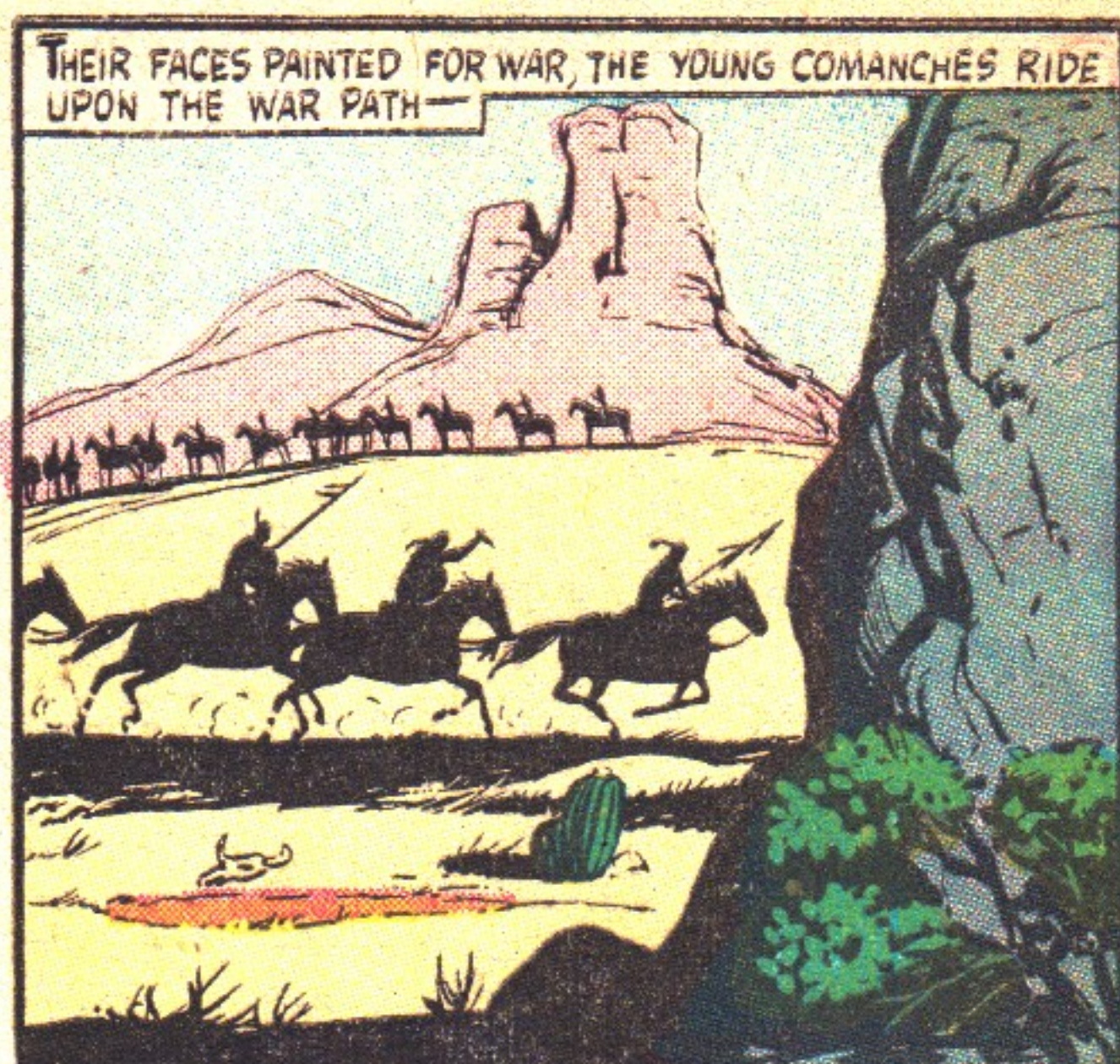
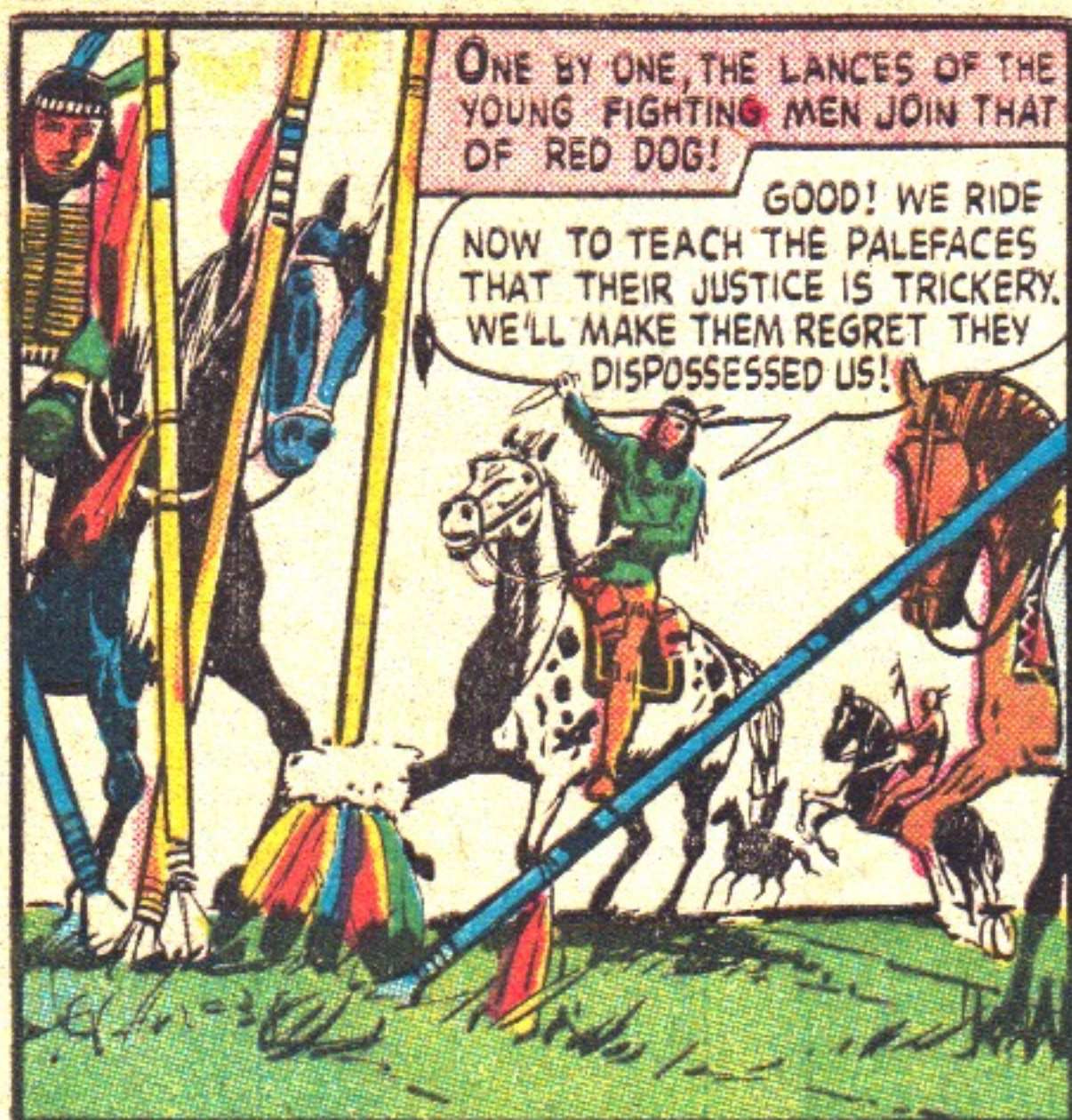
IN THE MEANTIME, THE YOUNG HOTHEADS OF THE COMANCHE TRIBE HAVE FORCED A HALT IN THE TRIBAL EMIGRATION TO THE RESERVATION...

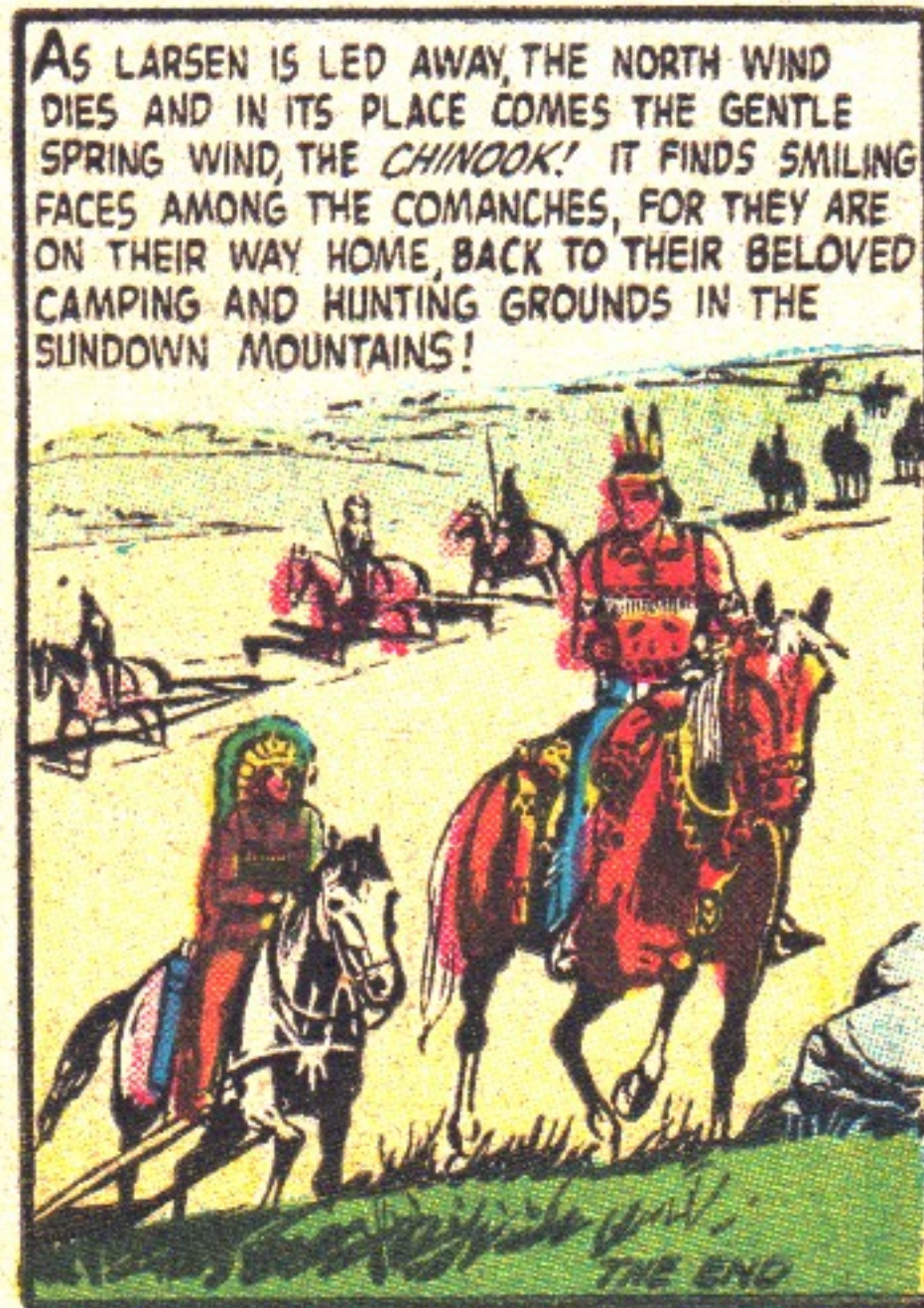
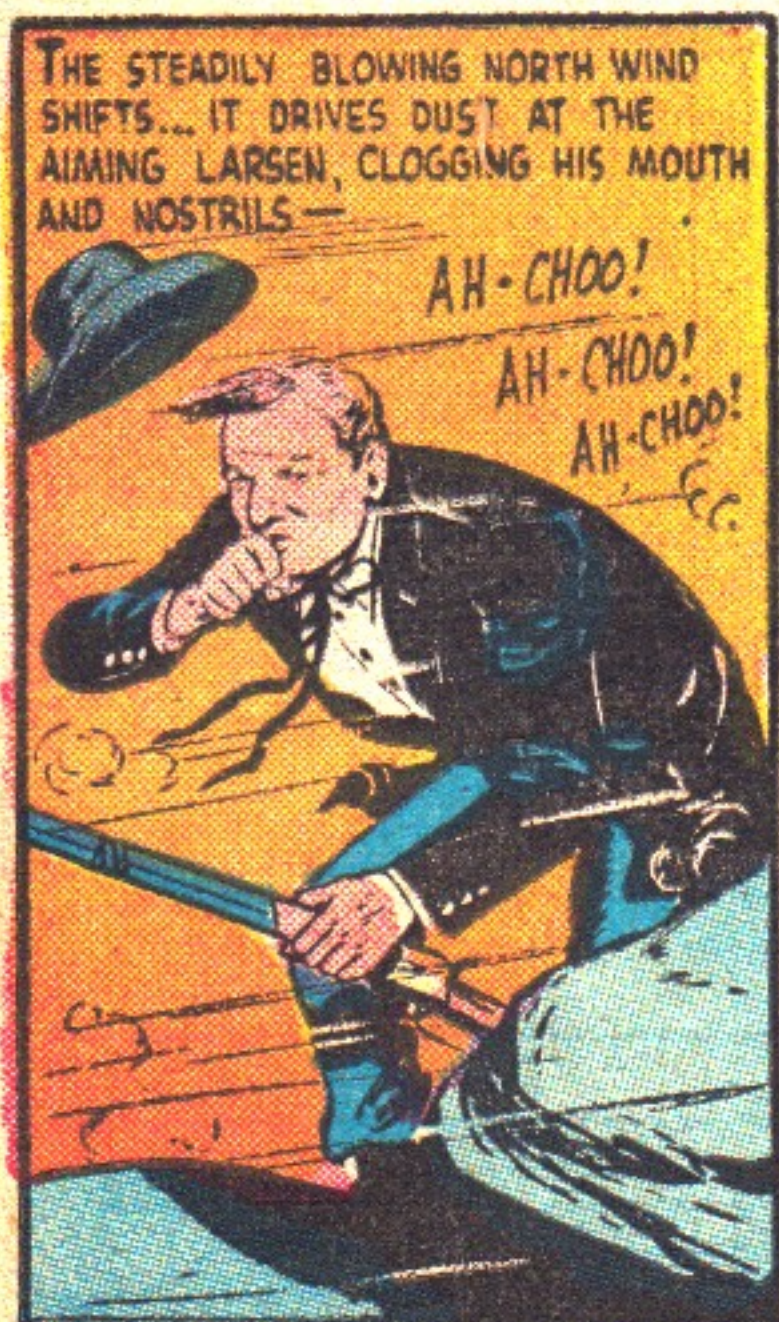
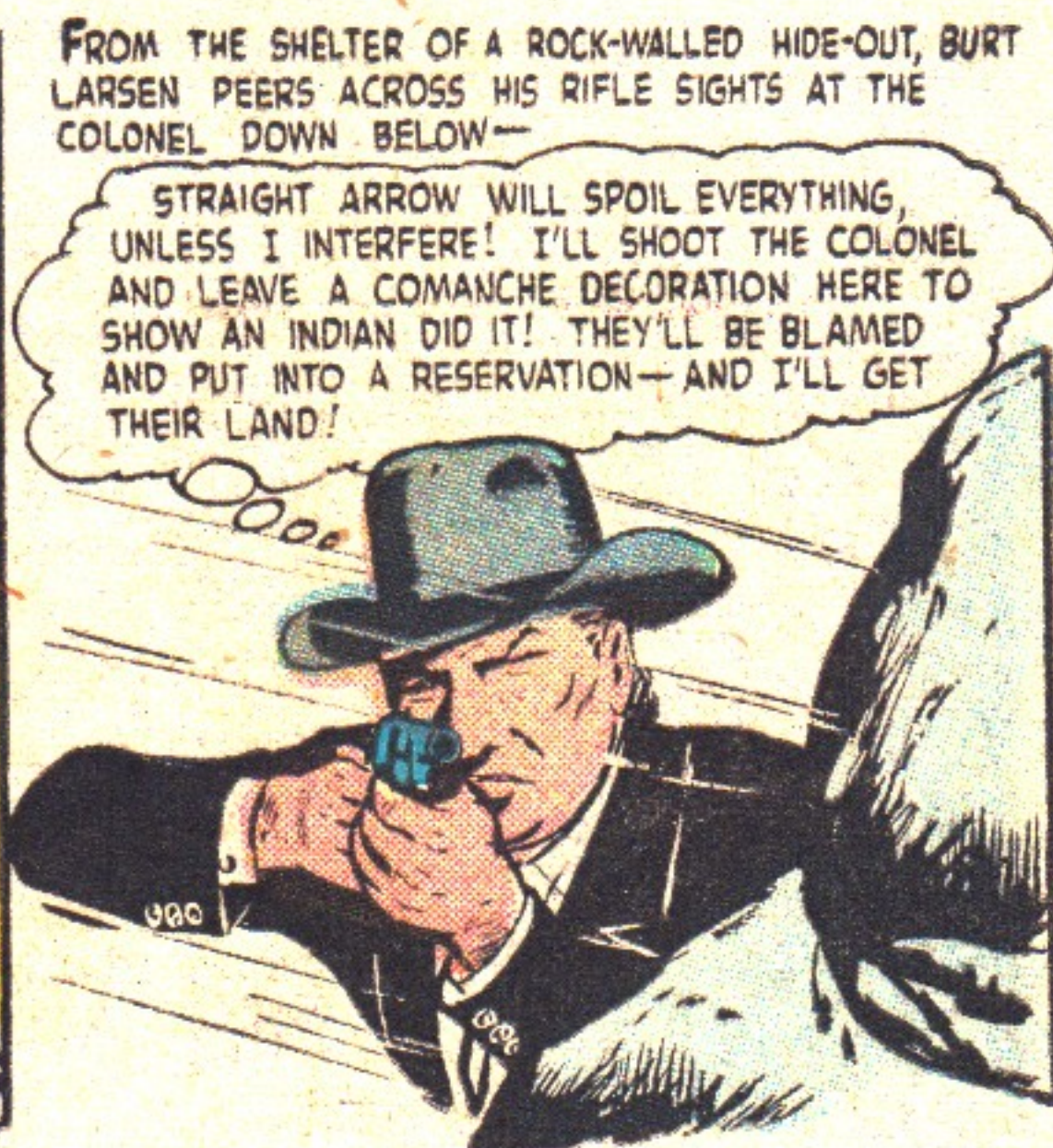
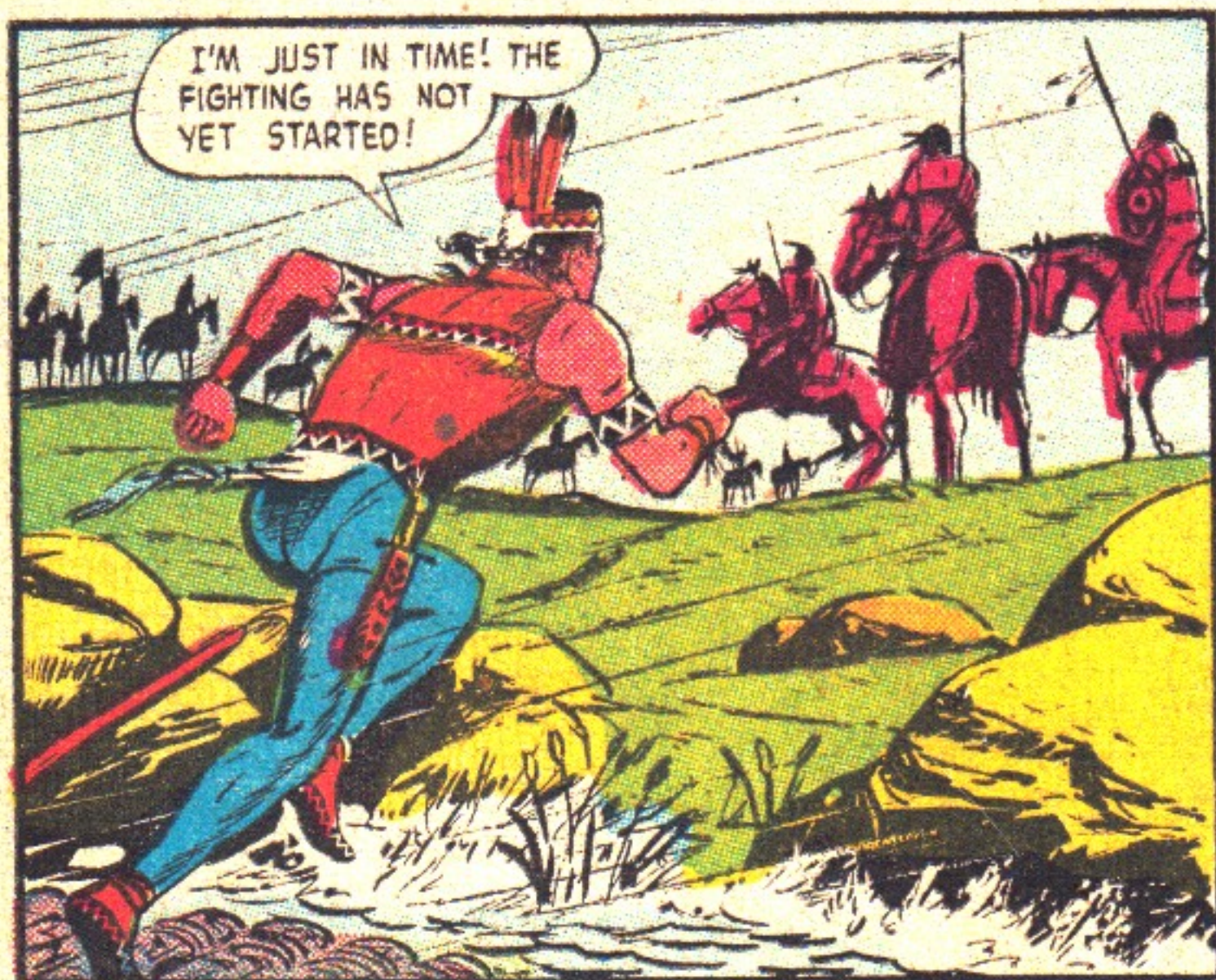
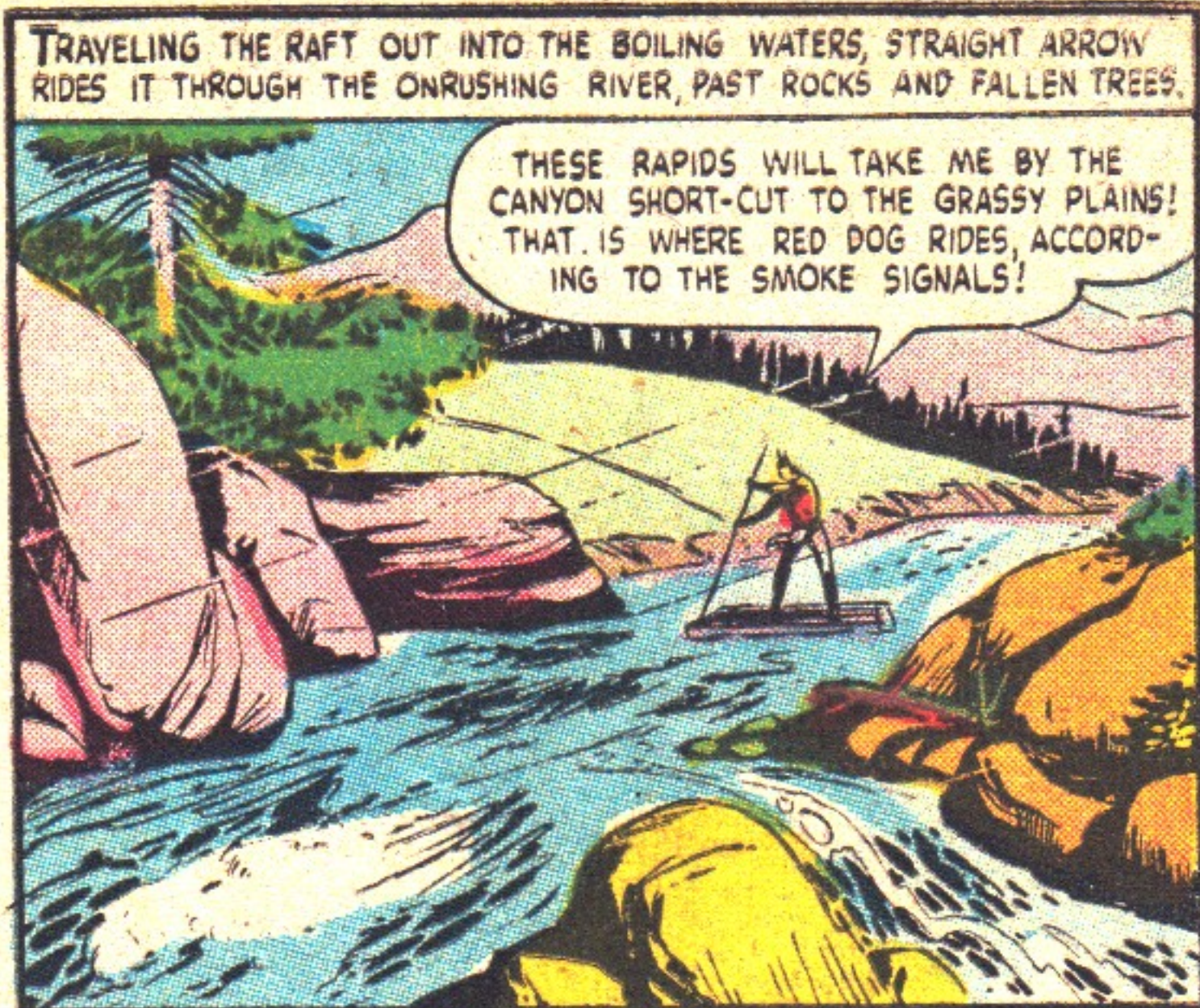
I GO NO FARTHER! BETTER TO TAKE THE WAR PATH THAN BE SLAVES IN A PALEFACE CAMP!



I VOTE FOR **WAR!** WHO JOINS ME?









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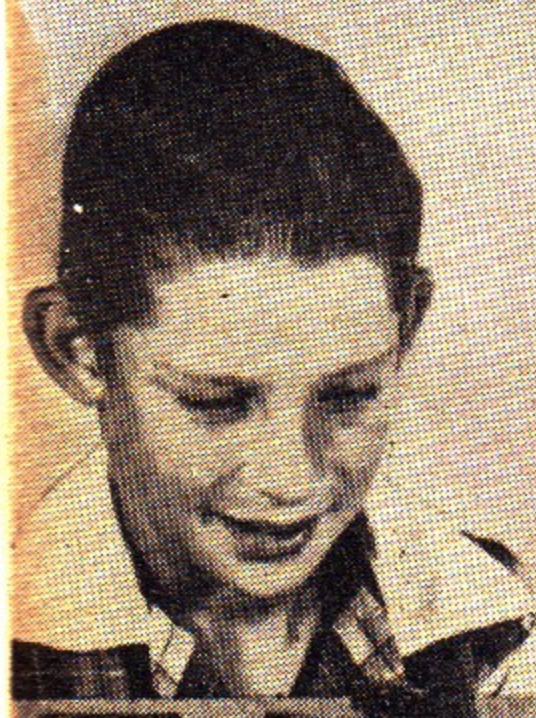
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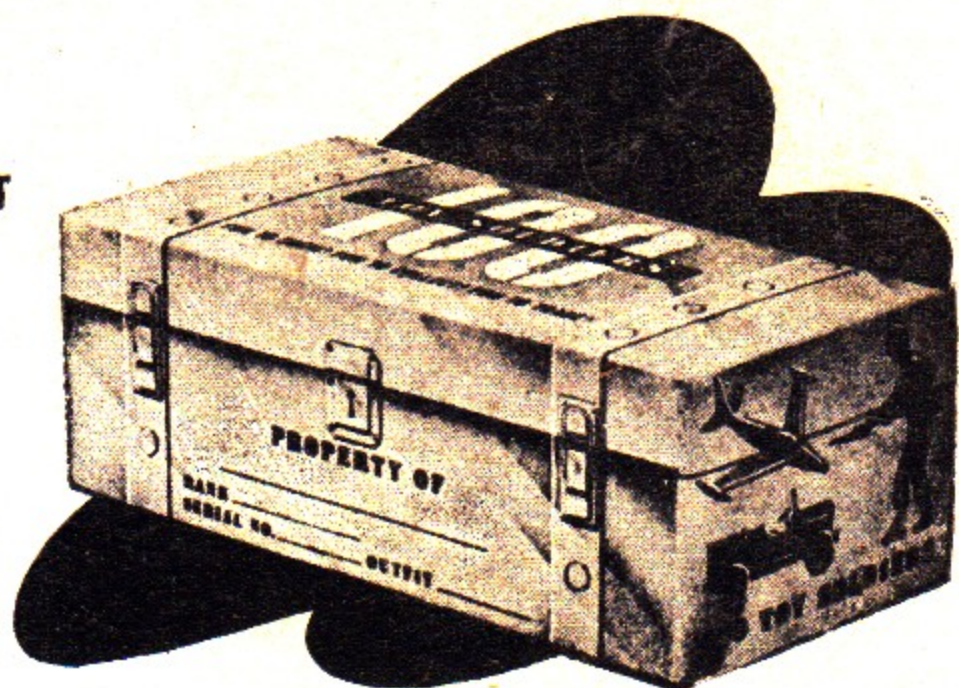
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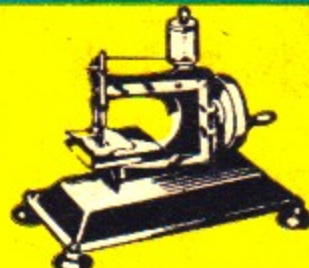
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Rush your name and address on coupon and we ship AT ONCE PREPAID your first set of 24 big size richly decorated Mottos On 15 Days TRUST. When you have sold the 24 Mottos, send the \$8.40 you have collected and you can secure your choice of many wonderful prizes. Hurry, send TODAY for 24 Mottos ON TRUST and big PRIZE CATALOG FREE!

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